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1950

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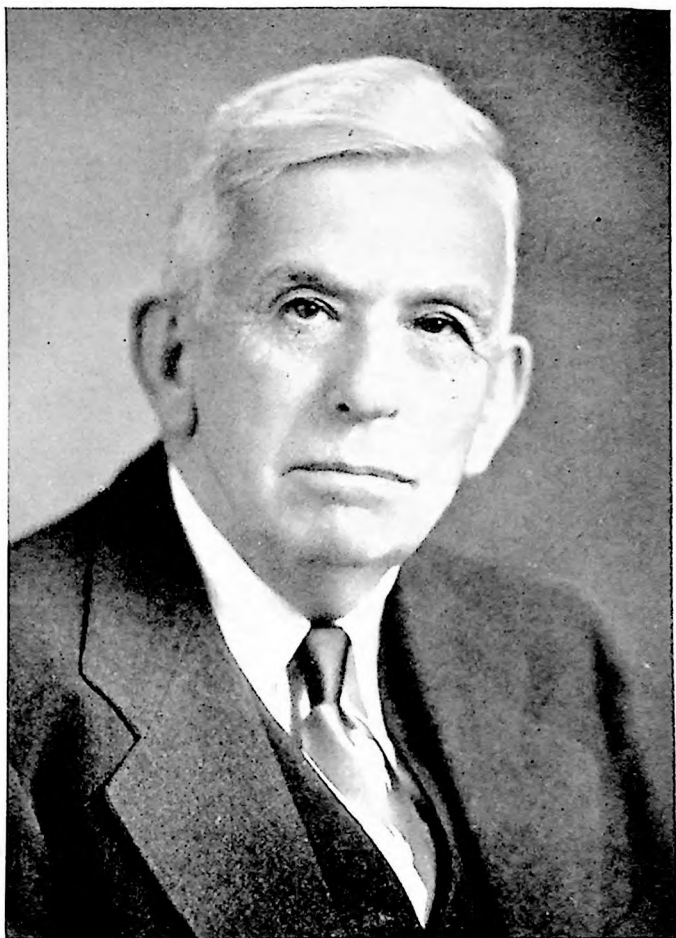
Theme:
"Cooperation
and beyond to
Brotherhood
in Christ"....

John H. Johnson
Program

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

OCTOBER 9-15





JOHN A. TATE, President
International Convention of Disciples of Christ
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
1950

Program

of the 1950 Assembly

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

— of —

DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

To be held in

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October 9-15

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Program of the National Evangelistic Association

October 8 and 9,

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Welcome from the Mayor of Oklahoma City

September 1, 1950

Dr. Gaines M. Cook, Executive Secretary
International Convention of Disciples of Christ
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Dr. Cook:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I welcome you and your fine group to our city for your 1950 International Convention.

Our citizens are proud you are with us and hope we can make you equally as happy to be here.

I hope that this, your 1950 meeting, will be your most successful.

Sincerely,
Allen Street
Mayor

Know Your Convention

THIS IS YOUR CONVENTION

1. Please assist the presiding officer by being in your place on time at the opening of each session.

2. Kindly refrain from conversation in any part of the Auditorium while the program is in session. Do your visiting elsewhere.

3. Carillonic Bells will call the Convention to each session (Morning, Afternoon, and Evening). Bells will be played for five minutes preceding the opening of each session.

4. Please do not enter the Convention Hall during the rendition of any of the special music. Persons entering during addresses should remain in the rear of the Auditorium until the speaker is finished.

5. **Register.** Wear your Convention badge at all times. Show your Convention badge to the usher as you enter the Auditorium. You cannot vote without registering. The Convention management needs your \$3.50 fee. Let's make it unanimous. Members of the Convention from Greater Oklahoma City are wearing a badge with a color distinctive from the general registration.

6. **Pray.** Pray daily for the Convention. We cannot rise to our high calling without God's help. Let our prayers be both penitent and expectant. *The Prayer Room* is located up one flight of stairs from North End of Main Lobby. It is open at all times.

CONVOCATION FOR PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

Tuesday, October 10, 8:00 to 8:50 A.M.

Hall of Mirrors, Municipal Auditorium

A call to prayer and consecration for every person who is to have any part on the Convention program, Convention Workshops, and Convention administration. John A. Tate in charge.

THE PRAYER ROOM

The Prayer Room was founded by Dr. and Mrs. Royal J. Dye many years ago. Mrs. K. A. Wehl is in charge, assisted by a consecrated local committee. This year a "Vigil" will be maintained at all times during Convention sessions. There will be a special service of dedication 7:00 P.M. Monday, October 9. Without prayer our coming together would be in vain. Let all Convention members retire to the Prayer Room as the spirit directs.

With the stain and tarnish of the age upon them the Disciples of Christ of their volition and power cannot rise to the heights essential for a new and worthy beginning of a crusade for all inclusive brotherhood. The motives, the techniques, the power must come from God. Jesus said, "Whatsoever you ask the Father in my name, he will give it to you."

The Prayer Room is located up one flight of stairs from North End of Main Lobby.

FIRST AID ROOM

The First Aid Room is adequately staffed and equipped for any emergency occurring during the sessions of the Convention. Those delegates

whose physical needs require emergency service will be promptly and efficiently cared for. For the location of the First Aid Room inquire at the Information Booth.

POST OFFICE

The Convention Post Office is located in the southwest end of Exhibit Hall. It has been designated as a regular Government Post Office for the use of Convention delegates. The usual Post Office facilities are available. Mail addressed to the International Convention will be distributed through the Post Office general delivery style. Be sure to call daily for your mail.

CONVENTION BUSINESS PROCEDURE

The Business Sessions of the International Convention Assembly are held each morning at hours designated in the printed program. All reports and resolutions received by the International Convention office by September 1 are printed in the Program Book. The text of additional resolutions will be distributed to members of the Convention attending Business Sessions.

Only those who have paid their registration fee are entitled to vote. Show your Convention badge when entering the Auditorium.

The titles of all resolutions and reports will be read by the Executive Secretary at the Convention Assembly. Thereupon the Committee on Recommendations will study each report and resolution and present it with their recommendation to the Convention Assembly for vote.

No resolution or matter of business, except in cases of emergency, will be considered by the International Convention Assembly unless it has been presented in time to reach the Committee on Recommendations at least twenty-four hours before the last Business Session of the Convention is scheduled to begin; this would make the deadline Friday, October 13, 10:20 A.M.

COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS

Meetings of the Committee on Recommendations will be held as follows:

Tuesday	9:00-12:00 A.M.
Wednesday	8:00-10:00 A.M., 2:00-4:00 P.M.
Thursday	8:00-10:00 A.M., 2:00-4:00 P.M.
Friday	2:00-4:00 P.M.
Saturday	8:00-10:00 A.M.

All meetings of the Committee on Recommendations are open to members of the Convention. The place of meeting is the Hall of Mirrors, Municipal Auditorium.

THE CHRISTIAN-EVANGELIST CONVENTION DAILY

The International Convention is again indebted to the Christian Board of Publication for the courtesy of providing Convention members with *The Christian-Evangelist Convention Daily*, which will be distributed at the close of each evening session.

A column of the *Convention Daily* will be devoted to official announcements of the International Convention, and copy for such announcements

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should be addressed to H. B. Holloway, Business Manager, International Convention, and left either at the Registration Desk or at the Skirvin Hotel Mail Desk.

MAILING SERVICE FOR THE CHRISTIAN-EVANGELIST DAILY

By special arrangement with the publishers of *The Christian-Evangelist Daily*, a desk in front of the Post Office, Exhibit Hall, will be provided to furnish copies of *The Christian-Evangelist Daily* for mailing back home. Copies of the paper are free, postage and wrappers will be supplied at cost. Addressing must be done by the individual desiring the service. A depository for mailing is provided.

MANUSCRIPT SERVICE

Manuscripts of most of the addresses delivered at the 1950 Convention Assembly are available at the Manuscript Window, Main Lobby for a service charge of 10 cents each. The three addresses by Dr. Riley B. Montgomery, *New Stewards for a New Century*, will be combined in one manuscript. Addresses, if available, will be offered immediately following their delivery.

The lectures on *Personal Religious Living* by Dr. Nels F. S. Ferre will appear shortly in book form. Orders will be taken at the Manuscript Window, cash prepaid.

PARKING SERVICES

For the convenience of those using automobile transportation the local committee on transportation has arranged for delegate parking in several parking lots located in the immediate vicinity of Municipal Auditorium.

The rate for parking for the entire Convention week is \$2.00, payable in advance. Identification will be supplied and a specific lot assigned. You must use the same lot all week. This privilege may be obtained by application to the Local Transportation Booth, Main Lobby. It is available to all, whether staying in hotels, motels or private homes.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES

Many of the pulpits in Greater Oklahoma City will be supplied by visiting ministers attending the International Convention of Disciples of Christ. Norman R. Stacey, pastor of the Lincoln Terrace Christian Church, is chairman of arrangements. We appreciate both the courtesy of the churches of Greater Oklahoma City, and Disciples ministers, making possible these arrangements. *The Christian-Evangelist Daily* and local Oklahoma City papers will list the services and preachers.

THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION COMMUNION SERVICE

The climax of the International Convention Assembly will come Sunday afternoon when we surround the Lord's Table for the annual International Convention Communion Service. The Service will begin at 3:30. Doors will open at 3:00 o'clock. The capacity of the Municipal

Auditorium is approximately 6,000. The Auditorium will be seated to capacity within a few minutes after the doors open. It is advisable to be on hand at 3:00 o'clock.

Following the beautiful custom observed in our International Convention Communion Services, an offering will be taken for aged ministers and missionaries. We are indebted to these veterans for the building of the Kingdom through the years. Our fellowship at Oklahoma City is the fruitage of their labors. Let us make this offering as generous as their love and devotion to the Kingdom.

THE PRESS ROOM

The Press Room is located in Room 218. News releases will be made from this room. Sherman T. Farris is in charge. Data regarding speakers, excerpts from messages, and reports on business will be made as early as available.

THURSDAY EVENING SEATING

Registered members of the Convention *only* will be seated in the Auditorium this evening up to 7:50, after which the doors will be open to the public. The Hall of Mirrors is equipped with public address system. Overflow attendance can be cared for in this room.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Carillonic Bells used in calling Conventions sessions will play five minutes before the opening of each session. These are furnished by courtesy of Schulmerich Electronics, Inc., Sellersville, Pennsylvania, and by the Christian Board of Publication, agent.

The Lectern and Pulpit used on the Convention platform are furnished by courtesy of the Southwest Church Furniture Manufacturing Company, Shawnee, Oklahoma.

Hymn plates reproduced in this Program Book are from *Christian Worship, A Hymnal*, published by the Christian Board of Publication, St. Louis, Missouri.

Communion Bread used at the Sunday Communion Service furnished courtesy of The S. & M. Communion Bread Co., Nashville, Tenn.

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LIST OF EXHIBITS AND EXHIBITORS

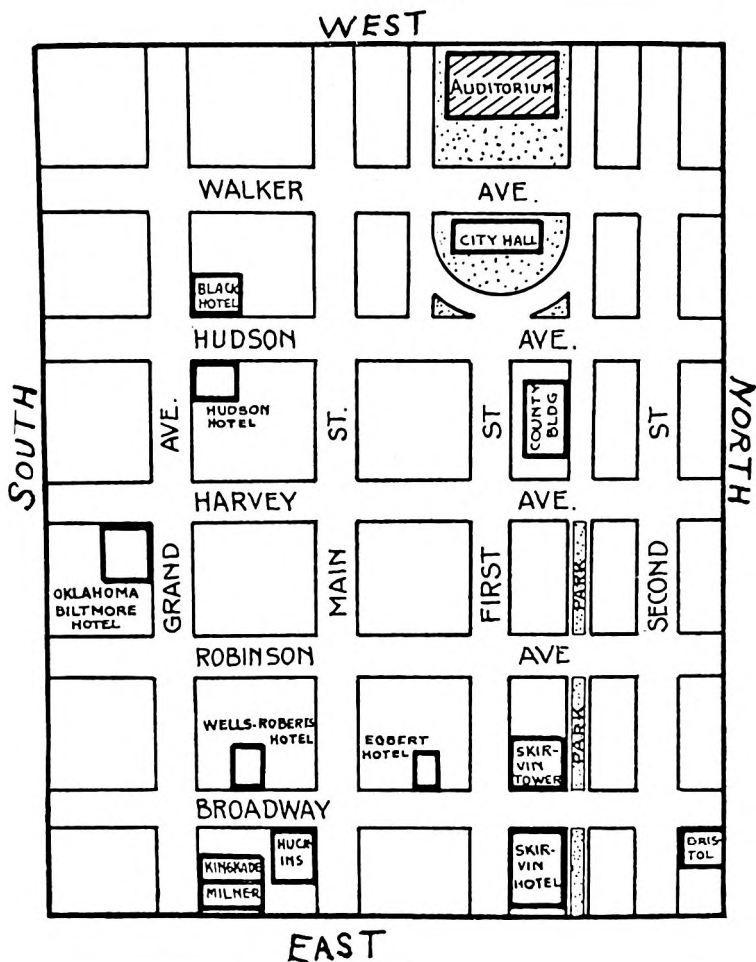
Located in Zebra Room of Municipal Auditorium Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Convention delegates are urged to visit the exhibits of the following exhibitors:

All Church Publicity Association, Wichita, Kansas	Booth B
American Bible Society	Booth 67
Atlantic Christian College, Wilson, North Carolina	Booth 41
Axtell Hospital, Newton, Kansas	Booth 92
Bethany College, Bethany, West Virginia	Booth 12
Bible College of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri	Booth 72
Board of Church Extension	Booths 84-91
Board of Higher Education	Booths 10-11
Brazil Christian Mission	Booth 42
Chapman College, Los Angeles, California	Booth 15
Christian Board of Publication	Booths 2-9; 25-38 and M & N
Christian College of Georgia, Athens, Georgia	Booth 40
Christian Missionary Fellowship, Kansas City, Missouri	Booth 70
Crusade for a Christian World	Booth G
Cummerfords' Community Service, Inc.	Booth 39
Disciples of Christ Historical Society	Booths 96-98
Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa	Booth 16
European Evangelistic Society	Booth 74
Lynchburg College, Lynchburg, Virginia	Booth 18
Manhattan Bible College, Manhattan, Kansas	Booth A
Midway Orphan School, Midway, Kentucky	Booth 69
Milligan College, Milligan College, Tennessee	Booth 17
Missouri Educational Commission	Booth 20
National Benevolent Association	Booths 43-44
National City Christian Church Corporation, Washington, D. C.	Booth 1
National Council of Churches, New York, New York	Booth D
Northwest Christian College, Eugene, Oregon	Booth 19
Oklahoma Christian Missionary Society	Booth 93
Pension Fund of Disciples of Christ	Booth 94-95
Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma	Booth 21
School of Religion, Butler University, Indianapolis, Indiana	Booth 13
S & M Communion Bread Company, Nashville, Tennessee	Booth 68
Standard Publishing Company	Booths H-L
Texas Christian University, Ft. Worth, Texas	Booth 23
Transylvania College, Lexington, Kentucky	Booth 22
United Council of Church Women	Booth F
Turney Wood Products	Booth E
United Christian Missionary Society	Booths 46-66; 75-83
Wells Organizations, Inc., Washington, D. C.	Booth 101
Wood Craft Church Furniture	Booth 73
World Call	Booths 99-100
World Council of Churches, New York, New York	Booth C

DOWNTOWN DISTRICT IN OKLAHOMA CITY

SHOWING PROXIMITY OF
MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM
TO HOTELS



**OKLAHOMA CITY CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS,
MEETING PLACES OF GROUPS AND
COMMITTEES**

National Evangelistic Association Sessions

Sunday night, Monday morning, Monday afternoon—First Methodist Church, 4th and Robinson

Monday night, Joint Session with International Convention—Municipal Auditorium

Sessions of the International Convention Assembly

Municipal Auditorium, Main Street, Walker Avenue, First Street

Work-Conferences and Forums

Tuesday, October 10

- 9:00-12:00 Women's Workshop
First Methodist Church, 4th and Robinson
- 9:00-12:00 Ministers' and General Local Church Leaders' Conference
First Christian Church Auditorium, 10th and Robinson
- 9:00-12:00 Religious Education: Children's Leaders
First Christian Church Senior High Auditorium, 10th and Robinson
- 9:00-12:00 Religious Education: Leaders of Intermediates
First Christian Church Junior High Auditorium, 10th and Robinson
- 9:00-12:00 Religious Education: Leaders of Seniors and Older Young People
First Christian Church Little Theatre, 10th and Robinson
- 9:00-12:00 Religious Education: Workshop for Adult Leaders
First Christian Church Parlor, 10th and Robinson
- 9:00-12:00 Religious Education: Student Leaders
First Christian Church Youth Center Lounge, 10th and Robinson

Saturday, October 14

- 2:00-4:00 Conference for Ministers' Wives
Municipal Auditorium, Hall of Mirrors
- 2:00-4:00 Women's Assembly
First Methodist Church, 4th and Robinson
- 2:00-5:00 All-Youth Rally
First Presbyterian Church, 9th and Robinson
- 2:00-4:00 Conference on Christian Unity
First Christian Church Youth Center Lounge, 10th and Robinson
- 2:00-4:00 Three Forums on the Effective Church
First Christian Church, 10th and Robinson
- Forum A. "The Effective Church in Community Service"
Senior High Auditorium

Forum B. "The Effective Church in Its Organization and Program"

Junior High Auditorium

Forum C. "The Effective Church in Its Worship and Devotional Life"

Little Theatre

2:00-4:00 Men's Workshop

Municipal Auditorium

5:00 Men's Barbecue Banquet

Wheeler Park (10 blocks south of Municipal Auditorium)

Committee on Recommendations

Hall of Mirrors, Municipal Auditorium

Tuesday 9:00-12:00

Wednesday 8:00-10:00, 2:00-4:00

Thursday 8:00-10:00, 2:00-4:00

Friday 2:00-4:00

Saturday 8:00-10:00

Subcommittees will meet in rooms 207, 315, 410, second-floor check room, and the Hall of Mirrors

Hotel Headquarters

Skirvin Hotel, 1st and Broadway

(4½ blocks from Auditorium)

International Convention of Disciples of Christ

National Association of State Secretaries

Biltmore Hotel, 228 West Grand

(4 blocks from Auditorium)

The United Christian Missionary Society

Unified Promotion and The Crusade

Pension Fund of Disciples of Christ

Association for the Promotion of Christian Unity

World Call

Kingkade Hotel, 17 West Grand

(7 blocks from Auditorium)

The United Christian Missionary Society

Huckins Hotel, Broadway and Main

(5½ blocks from Auditorium)

National Benevolent Association

National City Christian Church Corporation

Board of Church Extension

Wells-Roberts Hotel, 15 North Broadway

(5½ blocks from Auditorium)

Board of Higher Education of Disciples of Christ

Disciples of Christ Historical Society

National Evangelistic Association

Christian Board of Publication

MEETINGS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Saturday, October 7

9:00 A.M.-12:00 NOON } Board of Trustees of The United Christian Mis-
1:30 P.M.- 4:00 P.M. } sionary Society, Y.W.C.A.

Sunday, October 8

7:30 P.M.-9:10 P.M. National Evangelistic Association, First Methodist
Church, 4th & Robinson Streets

Monday, October 9

8:30 A.M.-12:00 NOON } Board of Managers of The United Christian Mis-
1:30 P.M.- 4:00 P.M. } sionary Society, Youth Center, First Christian
Church, 4th & Robinson Streets

9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. Board of Directors of the International Convention,
Room 441, Hotel Skirvin

9:30 A.M.-12:00 NOON } National Evangelistic Association, First Methodist
1:30 P.M.-4:00 P.M. } Church, 4th & Robinson Streets
7:45 P.M.-9:30 P.M. Municipal Auditorium

Tuesday, October 10

8:00 A.M. Chapel Service for International Convention pro-
gram participants, Hall of Mirrors, Municipal
Auditorium

9:00 A.M.-12:00 NOON Nominating Committee of The United Christian
Missionary Society, Room 230, Hotel Biltmore

9:00 A.M.-12:00 NOON } International Convention Committee on Recom-
2:00 P.M.-4:00 P.M. } mendations, Hall of Mirrors, Municipal Audi-
torium

9:30 A.M. Board of Higher Education, Room D, Hotel Skirvin
9:30 P.M.-11:30 P.M. Campbell Institute, Hall of Mirrors, Municipal
Auditorium

Wednesday, October 11

8:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M. } International Convention Committee on Recom-
2:00 P.M.-4:00 P.M. } mendations, Hall of Mirrors, Municipal Audi-
torium

12:15 P.M. International Convention Nominating Committee,
Room 1025, Hotel Skirvin

9:30 P.M.-11:30 P.M. Campbell Institute, Hall of Mirrors, Municipal Au-
ditorium

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9:30 P.M.-11:30 P.M. Disciples Peace Fellowship, First Methodist Church,
4th & Robinson Streets

Thursday, October 12

8:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M. } International Convention Committee on Recom-
2:00 P.M.-4:00 P.M. } mendations, Hall of Mirrors, Municipal Au-
ditorium

12:15 P.M. International Convention Time and Place Com-
mittee, Regency Room, Hotel Skirvin

5:30 P.M. Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees of The
National Benevolent Association, Hotel Huckins

9:30 P.M.-11:30 P.M. Campbell Institute, Hall of Mirrors, Municipal Au-
ditorium

9:30 P.M.-11:30 P.M. Disciples Peace Fellowship, First Methodist Church,
4th & Robinson Streets

Friday, October 13

2:00 P.M.-4:00 P.M. International Convention Committee on Recom-
mendations, Hall of Mirrors, Municipal Au-
ditorium

9:30 P.M.-11:30 P.M. Campbell Institute, Hall of Mirrors, Municipal Au-
ditorium

Saturday, October 14

8:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M. International Convention Committee on Recom-
mendations, Hall of Mirrors, Municipal Au-
ditorium

12:15 P.M. International Convention New Board of Directors,
Regency Room, Hotel Skirvin

OKLAHOMA CITY CONVENTION COMMITTEES

John F. Jordan, General Chairman

128 ½ N.W. Second St., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Committee	Name	Church
Home Assignments	Mrs. O. F. Bagwell	Crown Heights
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Decorations	Mr. C. Y. Higdon	Univ. Place
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First Aid	Dr. Ralph A. Smith	Crown Heights
Check Room & Lost & Found	Mrs. V. E. Bryan	Univ. Place
Information	Mrs. Everett Johns	Lincoln Terrace
Music	Mr. Tracy Silvester	First Christian
Post Office	Mr. H. E. Rice	Agnew Ave.
Publicity	Mr. C. E. Farris	Crown Heights
Reception & Hospitality	Rev. C. R. Porter	Putnam City
Ushers	Mr. B. C. Barker	Northwest
Halls and Meeting Places	Rev. Hugh J. Sinclair	Capitol Hill
Local Transportation	Mr. Melvin Brock	Penn. Ave.
Prayer Room	Mrs. K. A. Wehl	Univ. Place
Youth Arrangement	Rev. Don McEvoy	Penn. Ave
Pre-Convention Registration	Mrs. Chas. Sutton	First Christian
Pulpit Supply	Rev. Norman R. Stacey	Lincoln Terrace

THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

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Gertrude Dimke, Office Secretary
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Brazil Christian Mission
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Disciples of Christ Historical Society
European Evangelistic Society
National Association of State Secretaries
National Benevolent Association of the Christian Church
National City Christian Church Corporation
National Evangelistic Association
Pension Fund of Disciples of Christ
Southeastern Christian Assembly, Incorporated
The United Christian Missionary Society

COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS REPORTING TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

COMMITTEES

Auditing Committee
Board of Directors
Committee on Fraternal Relations
Committee on Necrology

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Committee on Nominations
Committee on Prayer Meeting Topics
Committee on Program and Arrangements
Committee on Publicity
Committee on Recommendations
Committee on Relief Appeals
Committee on Restudy Extension
Committee on Time and Place

COMMISSIONS

Commission on Baptist-Disciple Relations
Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships
 (Unified Promotion reporting through Commission on Budgets and
 Promotional Relationships)
Commission on Chaplaincy Endorsement
Commission on World Order

PROMOTED

“They rest from their labors”

Addison, Ernest A.	Knightstown, Indiana
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Messimer, James C.	Bluff City, Tennessee
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Piety, Edlie Myrtle	Farmington, Missouri
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Chairman of Committee on Recommendations—Ray E. Snodgrass
Recording Secretary—Gertrude Dimke
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CONVENTION
NATIONAL EVANGELISTIC ASSOCIATION OF
CHURCHES OF CHRIST

OCTOBER 8-9, 1950

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
and
THE MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

THEME: "The Gospel . . . by which also ye are saved . . ."
I Cor. 15:1-2

SUNDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 8

Presiding, Ralph W. Pollock, Vice-President

7:30 Song Service ----- E. J. Groome
7:45 Scripture and Prayer ----- R. Scott Baird
7:50 Panel, "We Believe in Evangelism"
Roy M. Huntoon, presented by Marvin O. Sansbury
Reggie Thomas, presented by Russell L. Martin
Mrs. Everett Cruse, presented by Ray E. Snodgrass
8:20 Hymn, Offering and Announcements
8:30 Special Music
8:40 President's Address ----- Raymond L. Alber
"The Gospel . . . by which also ye are saved . . ."
Invitation Hymn
Benediction ----- Hugh J. Sinclair

MONDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 9

Presiding, Mrs. Arlene Dux Rothenburger, Secretary

Song Leader, C. Sheldon Conard

9:30 Song Service
9:45 Scripture and Prayer ----- Paul Deane Hill
9:50 Announcements and Committee Appointments
10:00 Address ----- O. Ray Burgess
"Harnessing the Resources of the Church for Evangelism"
10:30 Special Music
10:40 Address ----- C. Howard Matheny
"And the Lord Added Unto Them Daily"
11:10 Hymn
11:15 Sermon ----- Paul G. Preston
"Laborers for the Harvest"
11:45 Benediction ----- Virgil W. Wallace

THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION *of* DISCIPLES *of* CHRIST

MONDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding, Spencer P. Austin

Song Leader, C. B. Orahood

- 1:30 Song Service
1:45 Scripture and Prayer ----- Loyal Northcott
1:50 "Doctrines of the New Testament Church"
A Roundtable Discussion led by Stephen J. England
(12 Minute Presentations)
Introductory statement by Dean Stephen J. England
"The Holy Spirit in Conversion," Pres. R. M. Bell
"The Design of Baptism," President Dean E. Walker
"The Lord's Supper," Dr. Colby D. Hall
"Requisites for Church Membership," Dean O. L. Shelton
2:50 Hymn
2:55 Discussion
3:25 Business Session ----- Raymond L. Alber Presiding
3:40 Special Music
3:45 Sermon ----- Floyd Allan Bash
"The Relation of Christ to the New Testament Church"
4:15 Benediction ----- Ross J. Griffith

PROGRAM

Evangelistic Rally

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Municipal Auditorium

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Monday, October 9, 1950

7:30 P.M.

Presiding—Raymond L. Alber

Song Leader—Virgil P. Brock

7:25 Carillonic Bells

7:30 Song Service

7:50 Music

Wide River—Negro Spiritual

Oklahoma City Convention Choir

Tracy Silvester, Director

8:00 Scripture and Prayer

George P. Rossman

8:05 Offering

8:10 Greetings from the International Convention

President John A. Tate

Executive Secretary Gaines M. Cook

8:15 Music

Open Our Eyes—Macfarlane

Oklahoma City Convention Choir

Tracy Silvester, Director

8:20 Sermon: *Evangelism for the World Today*

Roy C. Snodgrass

8:50 Musical Program by Singing Evangelists

Ralph Pollock, Presiding

9:30 Benediction

Newell Hall

PROGRAM

1950 Assembly

International Convention of Disciples of Christ
Municipal Auditorium
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

*Theme: "Beyond Cooperation to Brotherhood
In Christ"*

Tuesday Morning, October 10

Theme for the Day:

*Laying Foundations for a Long Range Program of the Dis-
ciples
(A Common Strategy for the New Century of Cooperation)*

Breakfasts

7:30 **The Association for the Promotion of Christian Unity**
Biltmore Hotel
(Commissioners only)

7:00 **Board of Directors, European Evangelistic Society**
Y.W.C.A.
(Members only)

8:00- 8:50 **Convocation for Program Participants**
Municipal Auditorium, Hall of Mirrors

9:00-12:00 **Committee on Recommendations,**
International Convention

9:00-12:00 **Simultaneous Work-Conferences**

Note: Convention delegates will select one of the following Work-Conferences in line with interest, and plan to remain throughout the three-hour session. Note carefully locations at First Christian Church, 10th and Robinson for all Work-Conferences except Women's Workshop at the First Methodist Church, 4th and Robinson.

I. Women's Workshop

9:00-12:00

First Methodist Church
4th and Robinson

Theme: *Building Christian Women's Fellowship*

Miss Jessie M. Trout,¹ Presiding

9:00 A Moment with the Architect

9:10 The Contract Is Let

9:20 Studying the Blue Print

Mrs. B. H. Bruner²

9:45 The Down Payment

10:00 Tools for the Job:

Workshop on Worship

Mrs. E. M. Pollard³

Mrs. David L. Kratz⁴

Workshop on Study

Mrs. Virgil Sly⁵

Miss Genevieve Brown⁶

Miss Lois Anna Ely⁷

Miss Edith Eberle⁸

Miss Mary E. White⁹

Workshop on Service

11:15 Getting the Tools Together:

Worship

Mrs. H. B. McCormick¹⁰

Study

Mrs. Arthur M. Depew¹¹

Service

Mrs. Gerard Taylor¹²

11:40 Clearing with the Architect

Miss Velva Dreese¹³

12:00 Each to Her Own Job (benediction)

¹Vice-President of the UCMS; Executive Secretary, Missionary Organizations Department—Indianapolis.

²State Secretary, Indiana Christian Women's Fellowship—Indianapolis.

³State Secretary, California North Christian Women's Fellowship—Berkeley.

⁴State President, California North Christian Women's Fellowship—Chico.

⁵Program Coordinator Pro Tem, Christian Women's Fellowship—Indianapolis.

⁶Executive Secretary, Missionary Education Department—Indianapolis.

⁷Director of Adult Work, Missionary Education Department—Indianapolis.

⁸Director of Sales Literature, UCMS—Indianapolis.

⁹State Secretary, Tennessee Christian Women's Fellowship—Nashville.

¹⁰Indianapolis, Indiana.

¹¹Shreveport, Louisiana.

¹²State President, Oklahoma Christian Women's Fellowship—Enid.

¹³Assistant Executive Secretary, Missionary Organizations Department—Indianapolis.

II. Ministers' and General Local Church Leaders' Conference

9:00-12:00

First Christian Church Auditorium

10th and Robinson

Willard M. Wickizer,¹ Presiding

Long Range Plans:

Evangelism

The Ministry

A Strategy of Church Expansion

Developing Better Churches

Town and Country Church

Urban Church Strategy

Department of Institutional Missions

Department of Social Welfare

State Missions

Board of Church Extension

Theodore R. Leen²

Hallie G. Gantz³

Fred W. Michel⁴

Charles L. Brooks⁵

Dale W. Medearis⁶

Lyle V. Newman⁷

Mrs. Clark W. Buckner⁸

James A. Crain⁹

Loren E. Lair¹⁰

William T. Pearcy¹¹

¹Executive Secretary, Department of Church Development and Evangelism, Indianapolis.

²National Director, Evangelism, Indianapolis.

³Pastor, First Christian Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

⁴National Director, Church Maintenance, Indianapolis.

⁵National Director, Church Development and Ministerial Services, Indianapolis.

⁶National Director, Town and Country Church, Indianapolis.

⁷National Director, Urban Work, Indianapolis.

⁸Executive Secretary, Department of Institutional Missions, Indianapolis.

⁹Executive Secretary, Department of Social Welfare, Indianapolis.

¹⁰Executive Secretary, Iowa Christian Missionary Society, Des Moines, Iowa.

¹¹Executive Secretary, Board of Church Extension of Disciples of Christ, Indianapolis.

III. Religious Education: Children's Leaders

9:00-12:00

First Christian Church Senior High Auditorium

10th and Robinson

Theme: *The Home and the Church*

Miss Ruth Reynolds,¹ Presiding

Family Festival Skit

Message to Parents and other

New Materials

Features of the Hearthstone Plan

Mrs. Milton Hines²

Mrs. Jessie B. Carlson³

E. Lee Neal⁴

Miss Carrie Dee Hancock⁵

J. D. Montgomery⁶

Mrs. Jessie B. Carlson

Small Group Discussion on the Theme

Closing Worship

¹National Director, Children's Work Leadership, Indianapolis.

²Director, Children's Work, Iowa.

³Associate Editor, Children's Publications, St. Louis, Missouri.

⁴Editor, Adult Publications, St. Louis, Missouri.

⁵Director, Children's Work, Missionary Organizations, Indianapolis.

⁶National Director, Adult Work and Christian Family Life, Indianapolis.

12:30 Children's Workers' Fellowship Luncheon, Y.W.C.A.

Sponsored by the Oklahoma Children's Workers

IV. Religious Education: Leaders of Intermediates

9:00-12:00

First Christian Church Junior High Auditorium

10th and Robinson

Russell F. Harrison,¹ Presiding

9:00 Fellowship Singing

9:15 Meet Our Leaders

9:30 Travel Tour

1. *The Chi Rho Fellowship*

2. *Intermediate Curriculum*

3. *Missionary Education Materials*

Christian World Friendship Fund

4. *Chi Rho Fellowship Camp*

5. *VISION*

Miss Mildred Jarvis²

Miss Frances Woolery³

Miss Mareta Smoot⁴

Charles C. Mills⁵

W. Elbert Starn⁶

Miss Mary Anna White⁷

11:00 Discussion and Sharing Period

11:40 Closing Worship

V. Religious Education: Leaders of Seniors and Older Young People

9:00-12:00

First Christian Church Little Theatre

10th and Robinson

O. Eugene Moore,⁸ Presiding

9:00 The New Look (Displays of materials, get acquainted)

9:30 A Year With Youth

Our Group Went on a Retreat

We Improved Our Sunday Church School

We Started an Evening Fellowship Hour

Our Best World Fellowship Youth Meet

Conference Helped Our Youth Program

So, How Can We Do It?

(Discussion)

Tom Toler⁹

Ray L. Henthorne¹⁰

Mrs. O. T. Moline¹¹

Mrs. Helen C. Schwab¹²

Thomas P. Inabinett¹³

O. Eugene Moore

¹Director, Youth Work, Department of Religious Education, Indianapolis.

²Assistant Director, Youth Work, Department of Religious Education, Indianapolis.

³Editor, Intermediate Publications, Christian Board of Publication, St. Louis, Missouri.

⁴Director, Youth Work, Department of Missionary Education, Indianapolis.

⁵Director, Youth Work, Department of Missionary Organizations, Indianapolis.

⁶Executive Secretary, Disciples' Council of Greater St. Louis, Missouri.

⁷Editor, VISION, Christian Board of Publication, St. Louis, Missouri.

⁸Director, Religious Education, State of Iowa; Des Moines, Iowa.

⁹Pastor, Wyatt Park Christian Church, St. Joseph, Missouri.

¹⁰Editor, Youth Publications, Christian Board of Publication, St. Louis, Missouri.

¹¹Adult Leader of Youth, Memorial Christian Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

¹²State Secretary, Missionary Organizations-Education, Kansas; Topeka.

¹³Director, Religious Education, North and South Carolina; Wilson, North Carolina.

VI. Religious Education: Workshop for Adult Leaders

9:00-12:00

First Christian Church Parlor
(Main floor through auditorium)
10th and Robinson
J. D. Montgomery,¹ Presiding

- 9:00 Devotions
9:10 Statement by the Chairman
9:20 Helping Adults Develop an Adequate Faith to Live By Howard Elmo Short²
9:40 Helping Adults Become a Part of a Vital Christian Fellowship Harry C. Munro³
10:00 Techniques and Skills in Effective Leadership
A Panel Discussion—Joe R. Babb,⁴ Chairman
Mrs. R. O. Pearson⁵
James H. Behler⁶
E. Lee Neal⁷
Gillman L. Burghards⁸
F. E. Zandt⁹
11:40 Adult Christian Leaders and Tomorrow's World Roy C. Snodgrass¹⁰
12:00 Adjournment

VII. Religious Education: Student Leaders

9:00-12:00

First Christian Church Youth Center Lounge
(second floor)
10th and Robinson
G. Hayden Stewart,¹¹ Presiding

Annual Business Meeting of Student Workers' Association

- 12:00 Lunch—Youth Center Lounge
Student Work Advance Plans Parker Rossman¹²

¹National Director, Adult Work and Christian Family Life, Indianapolis.

²Professor, The College of the Bible, Lexington, Kentucky.

³Professor, Brite College of the Bible, Fort Worth, Texas.

⁴National Director, Leadership Education and Field Program, Indianapolis.

⁵Vice-President, International Convention; Abilene, Texas.

⁶Pastor, Central Christian Church, Parsons, Kansas.

⁷Adult Editor for the Christian Board of Publication, St. Louis, Mo.

⁸Pastor, Church of Christ, North Tonawanda, New York.

⁹Associate minister, Union Avenue Christian Church, St. Louis, Missouri.

¹⁰Dean, Brite College of the Bible, Fort Worth, Texas.

¹¹President, Student Workers' Association, Disciples of Christ, Seattle, Washington.

¹²Student Work Executive, Department of Religious Education, Indianapolis.

Luncheons

- 12:15 Children's Workers' Fellowship
Y.W.C.A.
12:00 Student Workers' Association
First Christian Church Youth Center Lounge
12:15 National Evangelistic Association
Huckins Hotel, Colonial Hall
12:15 Christian Women's Fellowship State Board Members
Y.W.C.A., Mrs. Leslie E. Swain, Guest

Tuesday Afternoon, October 10

Convention Assembly

Municipal Auditorium

President John A. Tate,¹ Presiding

1:55 Carillonic Bells

2:00 Call to Order of the 1950 Assembly of the International Convention of Disciples of Christ

Hymn

Scripture Reading and Prayer

Claude R. Ingram²

Luke 14:25-33

I Timothy 6:17-19

The President's Statement

John A. Tate

Welcome to Oklahoma City

William H. Alexander³

Presentation of Reports and Resolutions

Gaines M. Cook⁴

2:30 THE CRUSADE MOVES TO VICTORY

An Appraisal of What Has Been Achieved **Marvin O. Sansbury⁵**

Visualizing the Achievements

The Plan

G. Gerald Sias⁶

Visualizing the Unmet Needs

The Urgency for Completion of the Task **Homer W. Carpenter⁷**

¹President, International Convention; General Secretary, Virginia Christian Missionary Society; Richmond, Virginia.

²Pastor, First Christian Church, El Reno, Oklahoma.

³Pastor, First Christian Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

⁴Executive Secretary, International Convention of Disciples of Christ, Indianapolis.

⁵Pastor, University Christian Church, Des Moines, Iowa.

⁶General Director, A Crusade for a Christian World, Indianapolis.

⁷Pastor, First Christian Church, Louisville, Kentucky.

The Convention at Worship

4:00

Leader: Russell E. Palmer¹

Call to Worship

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you,
And with thy spirit.

Let us worship God.

Hymn: *I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord*—Page 65

Invocation: (In unison)

Almighty and everlasting God, who by Thy holy spirit did preside in the first assembly of the apostles and disciples at Jerusalem, and has promised to be with Thy church even unto the end of the world; vouchsafe, we pray Thee, unto Thy servants met in this 101st International Convention of Disciples of Christ Thy gracious presence and blessing. Deliver us from all error, pride, and prejudice; enlighten us with wisdom from above; and so order all our doings, that Thy kingdom may be advanced, and all Thy ministers and congregations established in their most holy faith; until at length all Thy people shall be gathered into one fold of the great Shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom be glory forever. Amen.

Responsive Scripture Lesson

The Apostolic Prayer for the Church

For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named.

That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man;

That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,

May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length and height;

And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that we might be filled with all the fulness of God.

Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

Unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

Ephesians 3:14-21

The Beseeching of the Church

I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the calling wherewith ye are called with all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love;

Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Ephesians 4:1-3

¹Pastor, West Creighton Avenue Christian Church, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

The Great Unities Within the Church

There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.

Wherefore he saith, when he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.

Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?

He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.

And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry; for the edifying of the body of Christ.

Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ.

That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive.

But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, which is the head even Christ.

From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, making increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

Ephesians 4:4-16

Prayer: (For the Convention—Country—Christian Home and Family—The Ecumenical Church—Self—Lord's Prayer)

Hymn: *The Church's One Foundation*—Page 77

Sermon: *The New Testament Church in the New Century* Arthur L. Brown¹

4:45 Benediction

Dinner

5:30 Disciples Rural Fellowship
Y.W.C.A., Colonial Room

5:30 Disciples House Alumni
Y.W.C.A.

¹Member of the faculty, Overdale College, Birmingham, England.

Tuesday Evening, October 10

Convention Assembly

Municipal Auditorium

Vice-President Warren Grafton,¹ Presiding

7:55 Carillonic Bells

8:00 Fellowship Singing

Ralph Pollock, Directing²

Scripture Reading and Prayer

C. L. Johnson³

Philippians 3:8-17

Music:

Oklahoma City Convention Choir

Tracy Silvester, Director⁴

O for a Thousand Tongues

Mueller

As Torrents in Summer

Elgar

Onward Christian Soldiers }

Battle Hymn of the Republic }

Fred Waring Arrangement

Address: *The New Century—A New Hope* President John A. Tate⁵

9:30 Benediction

F. H. Groom⁶

¹Vice-President, International Convention; Pastor, Country Club Christian Church, Kansas City, Missouri.

²Evangelistic Helper; Leader of Song, International Convention; Nebo, Illinois.

³Pastor, First Christian Church, Louisville, Kentucky.

⁴Minister of Music, First Christian Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

⁵President, International Convention; General Secretary, Virginia Christian Missionary Society; Richmond, Virginia.

⁶Minister ad interim, Arlington Avenue Christian Church, Los Angeles, California.

Wednesday Morning, October 11

Theme for the Day:

Building on the Foundations at Home

(A New Century of Brotherhood Through Our Work at Home)

Breakfast

7:00 Crusade Breakfast

Municipal Auditorium, Zebra Room

7:30 Disciples of Christ Historical Society—Board of Directors

Skirvin Hotel, Blue Room

7:30 Cotner College Alumni

Y.W.C.A.

Convention Assembly

Municipal Auditorium

Vice-President Mrs. R. O. Pearson,¹ Presiding

8:45 Carillonic Bells

8:50 Hymn

Scripture Reading and Prayer
Romans 15:1-7; Philippians 2:5

Edwin R. Allender²

9:00 Personal Religious Living, Lecture No. 1

Nels F. S. Ferre³

The Secret of Christian Living

9:30 Presenting Our Missionaries

Virgil A. Sly,⁴ Presiding

Africa and the Orient

10:10 Hymn

10:15 Business, International Convention Assembly

11:00 New Stewards for a New Century—No. 1 Riley B. Montgomery⁵

We Belong to Life

¹Vice-President, International Convention, Abilene, Texas.

²Pastor, Church of Christ, Sidney, Ohio.

³Professor, School of Religion, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee.

⁴Executive Secretary, Department of Africa, China and Philippines, Indianapolis.

⁵President, The College of the Bible, Lexington, Kentucky.

The Convention at Worship

11:15

Leader: John C. Updegraff¹

The Prelude

The Call to Worship

Thy name, O Lord, endureth forever, and Thy memorial, O Lord, throughout all generations. (Ps. 135:13)

Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth throughout all generations. (Ps. 145:13)

Of old hast thou laid the foundations of the earth; and the heavens are the work of thy hands; (Ps. 102:25)

They shall perish, but thou shalt endure, yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment; as a vesture shalt thou change them. (Ps. 102:26)

When I consider the heavens, the work of thy hands, the moon and the stars which thou hast ordained; (Ps. 8:3)

What is man that thou art mindful of him, and the son of man that thou visitest him? (Ps. 8:4)

Unison: O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth. (Ps. 8:1)

The Hymn of Praise: *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*, Page 76

The Invocation (Unison)

Eternal and unchanging God, who hast taught us, that in quietness and confidence shall be our strength; touch our lives and hearts by thy spirit as we wait before thee this hour, enfold us in thy love and lift us to thy presence that our lives may bless thee and our worship glorify thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Gloria Patri

The Reading of the Scriptures, Matthew 7:24-29

A Moment of Silent Meditation

The Prayer (Leader)

A Solo: *If With All Your Heart Ye Truly Seek Me*, Mendelssohn

Rosa Page Welch²

The Sermon: *The Secret of Permanence in a World of Change*

G. Curtis Jones³

Scripture: "... the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not; for it was founded upon the rock." (Matthew 7:25)

12:00 Benediction

Luncheons

12:15 Ministers' Wives

First Christian Church

Speaker: Mrs. Leslie E. Swain, *I Remember Mama as Servant, Financier and Statesman*

12:15 National Evangelistic Association Board of Directors

Y.W.C.A.

12:15 Disciples' Chaplains' Association

Y.W.C.A. Auditorium

¹Pastor, Central Church of Christ, Newark, Ohio.

²Concert soprano, Chicago, Illinois.

³Pastor, Seventh Street Christian Church, Richmond, Virginia.

Wednesday Afternoon, October 11

Convention Assembly

Municipal Auditorium

Vice-President Orval D. Peterson,¹ Presiding

- 1:45 Carillon Bells
1:50 Fellowship Singing Ralph Pollock,² Directing
2:00 Scripture Reading and Prayer Theo O. Fisher³
Ephesians 3:14-21
2:05 Business, The United Christian Missionary Society
H. B. McCormick,⁴ Presiding
2:50 Address: *Let Us Build the Church* Wesley P. Ford⁵
3:15 BUILDING A PROGRAM FOR THE NEW CENTURY OF
BROTHERHOOD
A Program Worthy of Our Ability Ben C. Bobbitt⁶
The Direction in Which We Are Moving Harlie L. Smith⁷
Long Range Planning Through Christian Causes
Willard M. Wickizer⁸
The Church Decides the Issue Warren Grafton⁹
4:10 Solos La Rue M. Poole¹⁰
Art Thou the Christ? Geoffrey O'Hara
The Stranger of Galilee, Mrs. C. H. Morris
4:20 Address: The Whole Church Working at the Whole Task
W. A. Shullenberger¹¹
4:45 Benediction Matt J. Votruba¹²

Dinners

- 5:30 Phillips University
Municipal Auditorium Zebra Room
5:30 Eureka College
Y.W.C.A., Colonial Room
5:30 Vanderbilt University School of Religion
Y.W.C.A.
Speaker: Dr. Philip Hyatt

¹Vice-President, International Convention; Pastor, First Christian Church, Yakima, Washington.

²Evangelistic Helper; Leader of Song, International Convention; Nebo, Illinois.

³Pastor, Northwood Christian Church, Indianapolis, Indiana.

⁴President, The United Christian Missionary Society, Indianapolis.

⁵General Secretary, The Christian Churches of Northern California; Berkeley, California.

⁶Pastor, Central Christian Church, Des Moines, Iowa.

⁷President, Board of Higher Education, Indianapolis.

⁸Executive Secretary, Department of Church Development and Evangelism, Indianapolis.

⁹Pastor, Country Club Christian Church, Kansas City, Missouri; Vice-President, International Convention.

¹⁰Minister of Music, University Heights Christian Church, Kansas City, Missouri.

¹¹Pastor, Central Christian Church, Indianapolis, Indiana.

¹²Pastor, Christian Church, Lake City, Iowa.

Wednesday Evening, October 11

Convention Assembly

Municipal Auditorium

President John A. Tate,¹ Presiding

7:55 Carillonic Bells

8:00 Hymn

Scripture Reading and Prayer
Matthew 17:14-21

Lee C. Pierce²

Concert: Phillips University Chorus Morris H. Poaster,³ Director

The Local Church Looks Ahead

First Christian Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma

Address: *Counting the Cost and Paying the Price*

Theodore F. Adams⁴

10:00 Benediction

H. M. Waldron⁵

¹President, International Convention; General Secretary, Virginia Christian Missionary Society; Richmond, Virginia.

²Pastor, First Christian Church, Jackson, Mississippi.

³Director, Phillips University Chorus, Enid, Oklahoma.

⁴Pastor, First Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia.

⁵Pastor, Christian Church, Helena, Montana.

Thursday Morning, October 12

Theme for the Day:

Building on the Foundations Around the World
(A New Century of Brotherhood Through Our World Mission)

Breakfasts

7:00 National Association of State Secretaries
Skirvin Hotel

7:00 Phillips University Graduate Seminary
Y.W.C.A., Venetian Room

Convention Assembly

Municipal Auditorium

Vice-President Orval D. Peterson,¹ Presiding

8:45 Carillonic Bells

8:50 Hymn

Scripture Reading and Prayer
I Corinthians 12:5-11

Clarence E. Saint²

9:00 Personal Religious Living, Lecture No. 2
The Devotional Life

Nels F. S. Ferre³

9:30 Presenting Our Missionaries
Latin America and India

Mrs. Mae Yoho Ward, Presiding⁴

10:10 Hymn

10:15 Business, International Convention Assembly

11:00 New Stewards for a New Century—No. 2
We Follow Christ in Life

Riley B. Montgomery⁵

¹Vice-President, International Convention; Pastor, First Christian Church, Yakima, Washington.

²Pastor, First Christian Church, Pawnee, Oklahoma.

³Professor, School of Religion, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee.

⁴Executive Secretary, Department of Latin America, Indianapolis.

⁵President, The College of the Bible, Lexington, Kentucky.

The Convention at Worship

11:15

Leader: Reed J. Downs¹

Prelude

Call to Worship

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord, he is God; it is he that hath made us, and we are his, we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

Unison: For the Lord is good, his mercy is everlasting; and his faithfulness unto all generations.

Hymn: *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*—Page 57

Invocation

Scripture Reading

Acts 1:6-14

Responsive Reading (standing)

These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, even the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name;

He shall teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance whatsoever I have said unto you.

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you.

Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you.

And now I have told you before it comes to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye may believe.

Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptising them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit;

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.

Unison: And whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you.

Hymn: *Holy Spirit, Truth Divine*—Page 65

Prayer

Hymn: *Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide*—Page 64

Sermon: *Power to Witness for Christ*

W. A. Welsh*

Scripture: But you shall receive power, when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses." (Acts 1:8)

Luncheons

12:15 National Benevolent Assn. Huckins Hotel, Crystal Hall

12:15 Dept. of Religious Education Y.W.C.A., Colonial Room

¹Pastor, Phoenix Christian Church, Phoenix, Arizona.

²Pastor, East Dallas Christian Church, Dallas, Texas.

Thursday Afternoon, October 12

Convention Assembly

Municipal Auditorium

Vice-President Warren Grafton,¹ Presiding

1:45 Carilionic Bells

1:50 Hymn

Scripture Reading and Prayer

Kring Allen²

I Corinthians 3:1-11

WORLD CALL HOUR

(This session was originally planned as a Luncheon but due to unavoidable difficulties could not be carried out as a Luncheon feature. World Call takes pleasure in presenting Dr. Ralph W. Sockman.)

2:05 Address:

Ralph W. Sockman³

2:40 Report on the Orient

H. B. McCormick⁴

Virgil A. Sly⁵

3:40 Address: *The Future of Christianity in Asia*

M. Searle Bates⁶

4:10 Solos

Fidels Reyes⁷

The Lord Is My Shepherd, Samuel Liddle

The Holy City, Stephen Adams

4:20 Address: *Building World Brotherhood Through the Great Mission*

C. M. Yocum⁸

4:45 Benediction

Frederick J. Ross⁹

Dinners

5:30 National Benevolent Association

Huckins Hotel, Rose Room

5:30 Campbell Club Fellowship

Y.W.C.A., Auditorium

Speaker, M. Searle Bates

5:30 All-College Banquet

First Christian Church

5:30 Disciples Peace Fellowship

First Christian Church Youth Center

¹Vice-President, International Convention; Pastor, Country Club Christian Church, Kansas City, Missouri.

²Pastor, First Christian Church, Okmulgee, Oklahoma.

³Pastor, Christ Church, New York City.

⁴President, The United Christian Missionary Society, Indianapolis.

⁵Executive Secretary, Department of Africa, China and Philippines, Indianapolis.

⁶Missionary to China.

⁷Pastor, Mexican Christian Church, Kansas City, Missouri.

⁸Executive Secretary, Department of India and Japan Missions; Chairman, Division of Foreign Missions (retired), The United Christian Missionary Society, Indianapolis.

⁹Pastor, First Christian Church, Billings, Montana.

Thursday Evening, October 12

(See note page 8 regarding seating for this session)

Convention Assembly

Municipal Auditorium

Vice-President Mrs. R. O. Pearson,¹ Presiding

7:55 Carillonic Bells

8:00 Fellowship Singing

Ralph Pollock,² Directing

Scripture Reading and Prayer

William Martin Smith³

Matthew 24:4-14

Address: *The World's Need of Christ*

Toyohiko Kagawa⁴

Solos

Arline Lewis McKinney⁵

When Thou Comest (Inflamatus) Rossini

Beside Still Waters, Bernard Hamblen

RECOGNITION OF MISSIONARIES

E. K. Higdon, Presiding⁶

(All missionaries, including candidates and retired, who are attending the Convention will be presented at this time.)

Their Voices

Howard Huff⁷

George Cherryhomes⁸

Veda Harrah⁹

Address: *Spring Comes On Forever*

Mrs. Leslie E. Swain¹⁰

Benediction

Edward C. Rowand, Jr.¹¹

¹Vice-President, International Convention; Abilene, Texas.

²Evangelistic Helper; Song Leader, International Convention; Nebo, Illinois.

³Pastor, East Side Christian Church, Evansville, Indiana.

⁴Evangelist, Tokyo, Japan.

⁵Soloist, First Christian Church, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

⁶Executive Secretary, Missionary Selection and Training, Indianapolis.

⁷Graduate Student, Union Theological Seminary—missionary candidate.

⁸Missionary to China, recently returned—a first term.

⁹Missionary to India—a veteran.

¹⁰President, Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society; Craigville-on-Cape Cod, Massachusetts.

¹¹Pastor, East Side Church, Baptist-Disciples of Christ, Sharon, Pennsylvania.

Friday Morning, October 13

Theme for the Day:

Building the Wider Fellowship in Christ

(A New Century of Brotherhood Through the Ecumenical Movement)

Breakfasts

7:30 Ministers' Breakfast

Biltmore Hotel

Speaker: Harold Cooke Phillips¹

7:00 National Fellowship of Disciple Directors of Religious Education
Y.W.C.A.

Convention Assembly

Municipal Auditorium

Vice-President Warren Grafton,² Presiding

8:45 Carillonic Bells

8:50 Hymn

Scripture Reading and Prayer

Earl H. Van Doren³

I John 1:10

9:00 Personal Religious Living, Lecture No. 3

Nels F. S. Ferre⁴

The Christian Family

9:30 New Stewards for a New Century—No. 3

Riley B. Montgomery⁵

We Become Heirs of Life

9:45 Hymn

9:50 Business, International Convention Assembly

¹Pastor, First Baptist Church, Cleveland, Ohio.

²Vice-President, International Convention; Pastor, Country Club Christian Church, Kansas City, Missouri.

³Secretary, Washington Christian Missionary Society, Seattle, Washington.

⁴Professor, School of Religion, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee.

⁵President, The College of the Bible, Lexington, Kentucky.

The Convention at Worship

11:15

Leader: James K. Hempstead¹

Prelude

Call to Worship

Invocation

Hymn: *Lord, We Come Before Thee Now*—Page 68
(Standing)

Responsive Reading

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be uninformed. There are varieties of gifts, but the same spirit.

There are varieties of service, but the same Lord.

And there are varieties of working, but it is the same God who inspires them all in every one.

All these are inspired by one and the same spirit, who apportion to each one individually as he wills.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.

By one spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

The body does not consist of one member but of many. You are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

Gloria Patri

Scripture

I Corinthians 1:4-13

Litany

Let us pray. O God, who are holy, good beyond all that is good, fair beyond all that is fair, in whom is calmness, peace, and concord; do thou make up the dissensions which divide us from each other,

And unite us in Christ, we pray.

O God, who dost knit us all together in mutual love and responsibility, one for another; bring us back into a unity of love which may bear some likeness to thy divine nature,

And unite us in Christ, we pray.

¹Pastor, First Christian Church, Disciples of Christ, Ames, Iowa.

O God, our heavenly Father, who hast commanded us to love one another as thy children, and has ordained that brotherhood should be bolstered up by the bonds of the Spirit, breathe thy Spirit upon us,

And unite us in Christ, we pray.

Hear these petitions, O God, which together we have raised to thee in the name of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Hymn: *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*—Page 73

Sermon: *Christians Perfected Together* Waymon Parsons¹

Scripture: "Now I beseech you brethren, through the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfected together in the same mind and in the same judgment." (1 Corinthians 1:10)

Hymn: *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*—Page 66

12:00 **Benediction** (Standing)

Luncheons

12:15 Lynchburg College
Biltmore Hotel, Parlor "A"

12:15 Butler University School of Religion
Y.W.C.A., Auditorium

12:15 The College of the Bible
First Christian Church

¹Pastor, Heights Christian Church, Shaker Heights, Cleveland, Ohio.

Friday Afternoon, October 13

Convention Assembly

Municipal Auditorium

Vice-President Mrs. R. O. Pearson,¹ Presiding

1:55 Carillon Bells

2:00 Hymn

Scripture Reading and Prayer
Psalm 133

John Francis Belleville²

2:05 Address: *Fellowship With Our Heritage*

Wilfred P. Harman³

2:30 Address: *Fellowship in World Distribution of the Scriptures*

Frederick W. Cropp⁴

2:55 Solo

Arline Lewis McKinney⁵

The Greatest of These, Ware
(13th Chapter of 1 Corinthians)

3:05 Address: *The Wider Fellowship in America*

John Rogers⁶

3:35 Address: *Ecumenical Fellowship World Wide*

Robert Tobias⁷

CONCERT

4:05 Phillips University Concert Band

Milburn E. Carey,⁸ Director

Gerald A. Hemphill,⁹ Assistant Director

4:35 Adjourn

Dinner

5:30 Northwest Christian College

Y.W.C.A., Venetian Room

5:30 Drake Bible College

Continental Room, Hotel Skirvin

¹Vice-President, International Convention, Abilene, Texas.

²Pastor, The First Church of Christ, Elmira, New York.

³Pastor, The First Christian Church, Temple, Texas.

⁴Secretary, American Bible Society, New York City.

⁵Soloist, First Christian Church, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

⁶Layman, First Christian Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

⁷Representative of Disciples of Christ on the staff of the World Council of Churches; Assistant Director, Department of Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees of the World Council, Geneva, Switzerland.

⁸Director, Phillips University Concert Band, Enid, Oklahoma.

⁹Assistant Director, Phillips University Concert Band, Enid, Oklahoma.

Friday Evening, October 13

Convention Assembly

Municipal Auditorium

Vice-President Orval D. Peterson,¹ Presiding

7:55 Carillonic Bells

8:00 Fellowship Singing

Scripture Reading and Prayer

Roman 8:1-17

Ralph Pollock, Directing²

Wallace R. Bacon³

"OUR OTHER FAMILY FELLOWSHIP"

(A dramatic presentation of The National Benevolent Association written and directed by Miss Jessie M. Burke, NBA Publicity Director and Editor; assisted by Lincoln Terrace Christian Church, Norman R. Stacey, minister, with staging casting.)

Concert: Jarvis College Choir

William Pender,⁴ Director

I

*Lo, a Voice to Heaven Sounding
Beautiful Savior
How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place
I Waited For the Lord*

**Bortniansky
Christianson
Brahms
Mendelssohn**

II

*Oh, Lord Have Mercy On Me
Ride the Chariot
Everytime I Feel the Spirit
Ain'-a That Good News*

**Arr. Johnson
Arr. Smith
Arr. Dawson
Arr. Dawson**

Address: Crucial Issues Confronting Higher Education

Luther Wesley Smith⁵

10:00 Benediction

E. E. Russell⁶

¹Vice-President, International Convention; Pastor, First Christian Church, Yakima, Washington.

²Evangelistic Helper; Song Leader, International Convention; Nebo, Illinois.

³Pastor, First Christian Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

⁴Director, Jarvis College Choir, Hawkins, Texas.

⁵Executive Secretary, The Board of Education and Publication of the American Baptist Convention; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

⁶Pastor, St. Charles Avenue Christian Church, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Saturday Morning, October 14

Theme for the Day:

Building Brotherhood in Christ Through the Local Church
(*A New Century of Responsibility as Members of the Body of Christ*)

Convention Assembly

Municipal Auditorium

Vice-President Mrs. R. O. Pearson,¹ Presiding

8:45 Carillonic Bells

8:50 Hymn

Scripture Reading and Prayer

Cecil A. Jarman²

1 John 4:7-12, 20-21

9:00 Personal Religious Living, Lecture No. 4

Nels F. S. Ferre³

Living the Devotional Life

9:30 Address: *Laymen, Our Responsibility*

Harry Hines⁴

9:55 Three Addresses: *Youth, Our Responsibility*

Don Seamans⁵
Peggy Thomas⁶
Charles Cox, Jr.⁷

10:20 Business, International Convention Assembly

¹Vice-President, International Convention; Abilene, Texas.

²Pastor, First Christian Church, Wilson, North Carolina.

³Professor, School of Religion, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee.

⁴Chairman, National Laymen's Advisory Commission; Dallas, Texas.

⁵Committee Chairman, International Christian Youth Fellowship Commission; Kansas City, Kansas.

⁶Associate President, International Christian Youth Fellowship Commission; Wichita Falls, Texas.

⁷Committee Chairman, International Christian Youth Fellowship Commission; Birmingham, Alabama.

11:30

The Convention at Worship

Leader: Paul C. Carpenter¹

Prelude

Call to Worship (read responsively)

Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us,
and not we ourselves.

We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with
praise.

**We give thanks unto him, and bless his name: for the Lord is
good. Amen.**

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: fear before him,
all the earth.

**Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full
of his glory.**

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and
is to come.

**O Lord God, great and mighty is thy name, and to thee w-
ascribe all honor and glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
Amen.**

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 5:25-27

Christ also loved the church and gave himself up for it

**That he might sanctify it; having cleansed it by the washing
of water with the word**

That he might present the church to himself a glorious church,
not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing

But that it should be holy and without blemish.

Prayer

Paul C. Carpenter

Special Music

Sermon: *A Divine Standard for Churchmanship* F. W. Wiegmann²

Closing Hymn: *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*—Page 57

12:15 **Benediction**

Luncheon

12:30 Transylvania College
Y.W.C.A., Venetian Room

¹Pastor, Central Christian Church, Orlando, Florida.

²Pastor, Downey Avenue Christian Church, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Saturday Afternoon, October 14

Simultaneous Conferences and Forums

2:00-4:00

I. Conference for Ministers' Wives

2:00-4:00

Municipal Auditorium Hall of Mirrors

Mrs. Norman Stacey,¹ Presiding

II. Women's Assembly

2:00-4:00

First Methodist Church

4th and Robinson

Theme: *This Is the Time*

Miss Katherine Schutze,² Presiding

2:00 Time to Listen—Worship Service

2:15 The Time Is Now—Dramatization

3:10 Time for Greater Things Than These—Symposium

Deeper Devotional Life

Mrs. H. J. Simpson³

Enlisting More Women

Miss Gladys Irwin⁴

Increasing Missionary Giving

Mrs. Jack Dale⁵

Helping the Church Strengthen Its Missionary Program

Mrs. E. R. Tweddale⁶

3:45 Time to Act Now

Mrs. R. O. Pearson⁷

4:00 Benediction

¹Vice-President, Ministers' Wives' Council, Oklahoma City, Okla.

²National Director of Business Women, Missionary Organizations Department, Indianapolis.

³Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

⁴Wichita, Kansas.

⁵Dallas, Texas.

⁶State President, Michigan Christian Women's Fellowship; Grand Rapids, Michigan.

⁷Vice-President, International Convention; Abilene, Texas.

III. All Youth Rally

2:00-5:00

First Presbyterian Church
9th and Robinson

Intermediates—Seniors and Older Youth—Students

2:00-3:30 *Songs We Live*, a Singadrama

Miss Mareta Smoot¹

Presiding

Robert Fudge²

Laurence Kirkpatrick³

In a framework of song will be presented episodes depicting phases of the work of Disciples of Christ youth. Student groups named below will supply most of the dramatic sketches.

Oklahoma A. and M. College, Stillwater

Oklahoma College for Women, Chickasha

Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma

Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas

University of Oklahoma, Norman

Robert Tobias⁴ will be guest speaker. Choirs from some Oklahoma churches will provide special musical numbers.

3:45-5:00 *Simultaneous Meetings*

Separate programs with a period of fellowship for youth and their adult leaders

Chi Rho Fellowship

Miss Mildred Jarvis⁵

Charles C. Mills⁶

Christian Youth Fellowship

Robert Fudge

Miss Peggy Thomas⁷

Disciples Student Fellowship

Parker Rossman⁸

Laurence Kirkpatrick

Wayne Reinhardt⁹

¹Director, Youth Work, Department of Missionary Education, Indianapolis.

²President, International Christian Youth Fellowship Commission; Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

³President, Disciples Student Fellowship, Ecclesia; Enid, Oklahoma.

⁴Representative of Disciples of Christ on the Staff of the World Council of Churches; Assistant Director, Department of Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees of the World Council, Geneva, Switzerland.

⁵Assistant Director, Youth Work, Department of Religious Education, Indianapolis.

⁶Director, Youth Work, Department of Missionary Organizations, Indianapolis.

⁷Associate President, International Christian Youth Fellowship Commission; Wichita, Falls, Texas.

⁸Student Work Executive, Department of Religious Education, Indianapolis.

⁹President, Oklahoma Disciples Student Fellowship; Enid, Oklahoma.

IV. Conference on Christian Unity

2:00-4:00

First Christian Church

10th and Robinson

Youth Center Lounge

(Second Floor)

G. Edwin Osborn,¹ Presiding

Undergirding the Ecumenical Movement George W. Buckner, Jr.²

(Local, State, National, World groups)

The Status of Baptist-Disciple Negotiations Hampton Adams³

The Hope of Greenwich A. Dale Fiers⁴

The Association Looks Ahead Harlie L. Smith⁵

Questions to the Panel Riley B. Montgomery⁶ Moderator

Address: *Forty Years of Growing Christian Unity*

Walter Marshall Horton⁷

V. Three Forums on the Effective Church

2:00-4:00

Forum A. The Effective Church in Community Service

First Christian Church

10th and Robinson

Senior High Auditorium

James A. Crain,⁸ Presiding

2:00-2:25 Paper: *How the Church Helps to Shape the Lives of Persons and Community Institutions* Austin L. Porterfield⁹

2:25-2:40 Paper: *The Relation of the Effective Church to the Community and Its Institutions* Ruth Estes Milner¹⁰

2:40-2:55 Paper: *Training the Church's Leadership for Effective Service* Dale Dargitz¹¹

3:00-3:30 Discussant—first paper Harrison McMains¹²

Discussant—second paper Virgil E. Lowder¹³

Discussant—third paper Mrs. A. M. Depew¹⁴

3:30-4:00 General Discussion

¹Professor, College of the Bible, Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma.

²Editor, *World Call*; Secretary, The Association for the Promotion of Christian Unity, Indianapolis.

³Pastor, Union Avenue Christian Church, St. Louis, Missouri.

⁴Pastor, Euclid Avenue Christian Church, Cleveland, Ohio.

⁵President, Board of Higher Education, Indianapolis.

⁶President, The College of the Bible, Lexington, Kentucky.

⁷Professor of Theology, Oberlin Graduate School of Theology, Oberlin, Ohio.

⁸Executive Secretary, Department of Social Welfare, Indianapolis.

⁹Professor of Sociology, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas.

¹⁰National Director, Church and Community Service, Indianapolis.

¹¹Secretary, Denver Council of Churches, Denver, Colorado.

¹²Pastor, First Christian Church, Atlanta, Georgia.

¹³Secretary, Church Federation of Greater Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

¹⁴Kingshighway Christian Church, Shreveport, Louisiana.

2:00-4:00

*Forum B. The Effective Church in Its
Organization and Program*

First Christian Church
10th and Robinson
Junior High Auditorium

How Shall We Organize?

Ben C. Bobbitt¹

Training the Functional Leadership

Charles L. Brooks²

Using the Church Program Planning Calendar

Loyal Northcott³

The Membership Roll, A Tool for Churchmanship

Travis A. White⁴

2:00-4:00

*Forum C. The Effective Church in Its Worship
and Devotional Life*

First Christian Church
10th and Robinson
Little Theatre
Percy E. Kohl,⁵ Presiding

Worship Is Central

William R. Vivrett⁶

Cultivating Worship Attitudes

Leslie R. Smith⁷

Cultivating Private and Family Devotional Life

Ewart H. Wyle^{7a}

The Minister and Public Worship

T. T. Swearingen⁸

VI. Men's Workshop

2:00-4:00

Municipal Auditorium
Harry Hines,⁹ Presiding

Reports from the States

A Preview of the Future of Men's Work

5:00

MEN'S BARBECUE BANQUET

Wheeler Park

(10 blocks south of Municipal Auditorium)

Note: Special buses will leave the Municipal Auditorium at
4:30 o'clock

Note: Menu—"Hickory Smoked Oklahoma Barbecue"—
Tickets, \$1.75

Speaker: James W. Clarke¹⁰

¹Pastor, Central Christian Church, Des Moines, Iowa.

²National Director, Church Development and Ministerial Services, Indianapolis, Indiana.

³Pastor, First Christian Church, Ponca City, Oklahoma.

⁴Pastor, First Christian Church, Lubbock, Texas.

⁵Secretary, Christian Churches of Alabama, Birmingham, Alabama.

⁶Pastor, East End Christian Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

⁷Pastor, Central Christian Church, Lexington, Kentucky.

^{7a}Pastor First Christian Church, Tyler, Texas.

⁸Pastor, Oak Park Christian Church, Kansas City, Missouri.

⁹Chairman, National Laymen's Advisory Commission, Dallas, Texas.

¹⁰Pastor, Second Presbyterian Church, St. Louis, Missouri.

Saturday Evening, October 14

Convention Assembly

Municipal Auditorium

President John A. Tate,¹ Presiding

7:55 Carillonic Bells

8:00 Fellowship Singing

Scripture Reading and Prayer

Howard B. Detweiler²

1 Corinthians 3:9-15

Recognition of Local Committees

Concert: *The A Cappella Choir of Texas Christian University*

John Glenn Metcalf,³ Director

O Bone Jesu (O Blessed Jesus)—Palestrina

Jesus, Priceless Treasure—Bach

Brother James' Air (Psalm XXXIII)—Jacob

Nome Dimittis—Arkhangel'sky

Alleluia!—Thompson

Recognition of Retiring Ministers

Forrest L. Richeson⁴

SERVICE OF ORDINATION

Presiding Minister: Dean Stephen J. England⁵

Hymn: *The Church's One Foundation*—Page 77

Statement Concerning Ordination

Dean England

Among Disciples of Christ at the present day, ordination is based upon the obvious historic fact that the church of the New Testament had a ministry, which was supported by the churches (1 Cor. 9:14). These men, who served the church, did not choose themselves, but were chosen by the churches. Such men did not set themselves apart, but were set apart by the act of the church. Thus Paul, conscious that God had set him apart from his birth (Gal. 1:15) and basing his apostleship on his vision of the risen Christ, was yet set apart by the church at Antioch (Acts 13:1-3) with the accompaniment of fasting, prayer, and the laying on of hands.

¹President, International Convention; General Secretary, Virginia Christian Missionary Society, Richmond, Virginia.

²Pastor, First Christian Church, Decatur, Illinois.

³Associate Professor of Organ and Church Music, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas.

⁴Pastor, Portland Avenue Christian Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

⁵Dean, College of the Bible, Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma.

The act by which the apostolic church set men apart was not, however, for the purpose of imparting to them the Holy Spirit, or to create a class of ecclesiastical nobility. In part, the act of ordination was the means by which the church gave recognition to special ability and consecration. In part, it was the entering of a sacred agreement. On the one side stood a man, who offered himself to the church, for the service of Christ. On the other side stood a congregation, which undertook to stand sponsor for the character of the man, as he went out among the churches. While the act of setting the man apart was the act of a single church, it was an act in behalf of the entire Body of Christ.

This session of the International Convention has been invited to witness the ordination of a group of men to the ministry of the church. The ordination, however, is not *by* the Convention, and could not be. Ordination is a function of the church, while the Convention is a gathering of individual Disciples of Christ, possessing none of the powers of a church. The ordination is *at* the Convention, but is performed *by* certain local churches, acting through their chosen representatives.

Each man appearing here for ordination has been approved by a local church, which knows him personally; and each man is being ordained by a local church, acting in conjunction with other churches.

The Convention provides the occasion for the ordination, and it is appropriate that the ceremony should be performed in the presence of these many brethren representing congregations from all over this country and many other lands; for these men are being set apart for the ministry of the churches of our entire brotherhood, and in a real sense, for the church universal which is the Body of Christ.

We, then, brethren in convention assembled, are witnesses of the solemn ceremony by which local churches, acting jointly, are setting men apart in a lifelong dedication to the service of the church, of Christ, and of God.

**Presentation of candidates for ordination, their
credentials, and the participants**

Dean England¹

The Scripture:

1 Tim. 4:1-16; 2 Tim. 4:1-5

Carl V. Covey²

¹Dean, College of the Bible, Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma.

²Executive Secretary, Oklahoma Christian Missionary Society, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

The Questioning of the Candidates

Loren E. Lair

(The Candidates will answer the following questions)

Question: Do you reaffirm your faith in Jesus Christ as the divine Son of the Living God, and only Savior, and as such will you preach Him to the world?

Candidates: I do.

Question: Do you accept the Bible as containing the revelation of God to man, as the only authoritative rule of faith and practice, without creedal addition or modification?

Candidates: I do.

Question: Do you accept the Church, founded by Jesus Christ, as the divine agency for evangelizing the world?

Candidates: I do.

Question: Do you solemnly promise, in the presence of God and the Church, to live purely; to do justly, love kindness, and walk humbly with your God?

Candidates: I do.

The Charge to the Candidates

Loren E. Lair

The Ordination

(The candidates will kneel and those officiating will solemnly ordain the candidates to the ministry according to apostolic example, by the laying on of hands.)

Ordination Prayer

Dean Emeritus Colby D. Hall¹

Hymn: God of the Prophets! Bless the Prophets' Sons—Page 58

Extending the hand of fellowship

John A. Tate²

Address to newly ordained ministers:

Partakers of the Sufferings, Also of the Consolation

Hampton Adams³

Address: Ambassadors of Brotherhood

Charles B. Tupper⁴

10:00 Benediction

Leland Cook, Sr.⁵

¹Executive Secretary, Iowa Christian Missionary Society, Des Moines, Iowa.

²Dean Emeritus, Brite College of the Bible, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas.

³President, International Convention; General Secretary, Virginia Christian Missionary Society; Richmond, Virginia.

⁴Pastor, Union Avenue Christian Church, St. Louis, Missouri.

⁵Pastor, First Christian Church, Springfield, Illinois.

⁶Pastor, Central Christian Church, San Diego, California.

Sunday Morning, October 15

Worship in Oklahoma City Churches

Sunday Afternoon, October 15

Municipal Auditorium

International Convention Communion Service

3:30

R. Melvyn Thompson,¹ Director

Service of Installation for President-Elect

Meditation

J. Wayne Drash²

Notes: Doors will remain closed until 3:00 P.M.

In case of rain, worshipers may gather in the Foyer, the Hall of Mirrows, or the Zebra Room; otherwise, please remain outside Municipal Auditorium until 3:00 o'clock.

An offering will be taken for aged ministers and missionaries. Let's make it generous!

The Order of Service will be presented as you enter the Auditorium.

¹Pastor, First Christian Church, New Castle, Indiana.

²Pastor, First Christian Church, Birmingham, Alabama.

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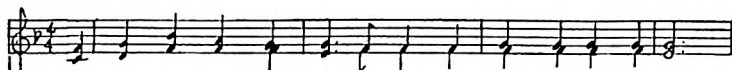
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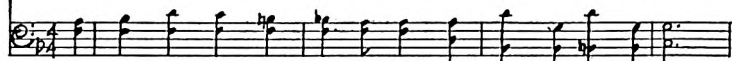
LO, HERE IS FELLOWSHIP!

Lois Anna Ely

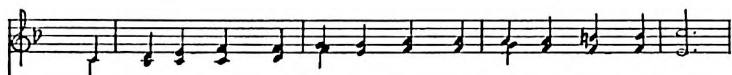
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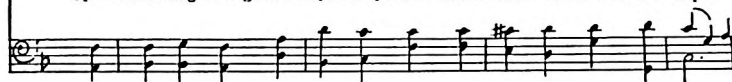
To stand like trees with-in a wood, All reach-ing up to God!
To give as do in wav-ing field The spears of gold-en grain!
To grow like flow'rs by way-side paths Those vi-brant hues ex-press



Each yield-ing to the oth-ers' good, Roots clasp-ing 'neath the sod;
When bur-ied seeds in boun-teous yield Re-spond to sun and rain,
In one u - ni - ted sym - pho - ny Their ut - ter self-less-ness,



When storm-y blasts bend low the boughs And i - cy tem-pests grip,
Till har-vest gar - ners them for bread; 'Tis fel-low-ship in - deed
Up - lift-ing fra-grant cups of praise While bees their neo-tar sip:



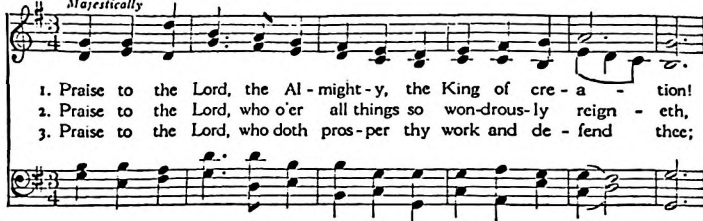
Each lend-ing oth - er some sup-port, Lo, here is fel-low-ship!
When fruit-ing blades u - nite to fill World gran-a - ries of need!
The bless-ed - ness of har - mo - ny-- Lo, this is fel-low-ship!



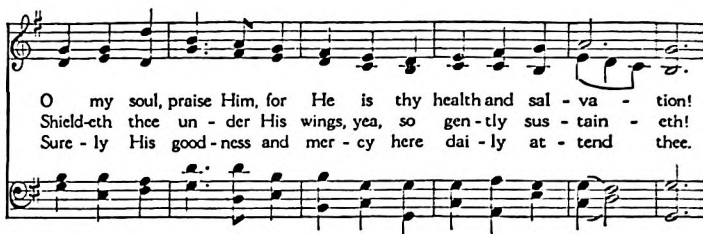
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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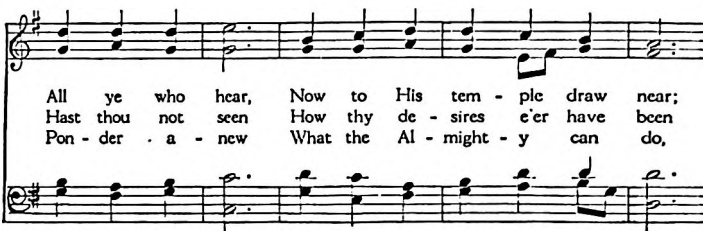
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JOACHIM NEANDER, 1610-1680
Tr. by CATHERINE WINKAORTH, 1820-1878STRALSUND GESANGBUCH, 1665
Arr. in PRAXIS PIETATIS MELICA, 1608*Majestically*


1. Praise to the Lord, the Al-might-y, the King of cre-a-tion!
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous-ly reign-eth,
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros-per thy work and de-fend thee;



O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and sal-va-tion!
 Shield-eth thee un-der His wings, yea, so gen-tly sus-tain-eth!
 Sure-ly His good-ness and mer-cy here dai-ly at-tend thee.



All ye who hear, Now to His tem-ple draw near;
 Hast thou not seen How thy de-sires e'er have been
 Pon-der-a-new What the Al-might-y can do,



Join me in glad ad-o-ra-tion!
 Grant-ed in what He or-dain-eth?
 If with His love He be-friend thee. A-MEN.

GOD—MAJESTY AND POWER

151 Lord of All Being, Throned Afar

OLIVER W. HOLMES, 1809-1896
In moderate time, with dignity

LOUVAN, L. M.

VIRGIL C. TAYLOR, 1817-1891
Alt. by B. F. W.

1. Lord of all be - ing, throned a - far, Thy glo - ry
 2. Sun of our life, thy quick - ning ray, Sheds on our
 3. Our mid - night is thy smile with - drawn; Our noon - tide
 4. Lord of all life, be - low, a - bove, Whose light is
 5. Grant us thy truth to make us free, And kin - dling

flames from sun and star; Cen - ter and soul of ev - 'ry
 path the glow of day; Star of our hope, thy soft - ened
 is thy gra - cious dawn; Our rain - bow arch, thy mer - cy's
 truth, whose warmth is love, Be - fore thy ev - er - blaz - ing
 hearts that burn for thee, Till all thy liv - ing al - tars

sphere, Yet to each lov - ing heart how near!
 light, Cheers the long watch - es of the night.
 sign; All, save the clouds of sin, are thine.
 throne We ask no lus - ter of our own.
 claim One ho - ly light, one heav'n - ly flame. A - MEN.

RESURRECTION

Thine Is the Glory


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JUDAS MACCABEUS. 5. 5. 6. 5. 6. 5. 6. 5. with Refrain

Anonymous
Tr. by R. BIRCH HOYLE, 1913

GEORGE F. HANDEL, 1685-1759

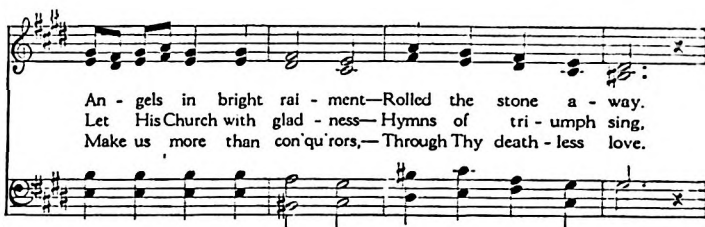
With majestic rhythm



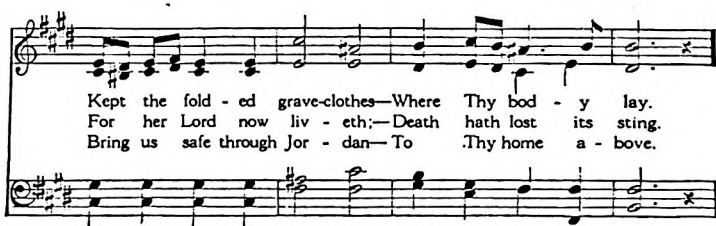
1. Thine is the glo - ry,— Ris - en, con-qu'ring Son,
2. Lo! Je - sus meets thee,— Ris - en from the tomb;
3. No more we doubt Thee,— Glo - rious Prince of Life!



End - less is the vic - t'ry— Thou o'er death hast won.
Lov - ing - ly He greets thee,— Scat - ters fear and gloom;
Life is nought with - out Thee;— Aid us in our strife;



An - gels in bright rai - ment—Rolled the stone a - way.
Let His Church with glad - ness—Hymns of tri - umph sing,
Make us more than con-qu'rors,— Through Thy death - less love.



Kept the fold - ed grave-clothes—Where Thy bod - y lay.
For her Lord now liv - eth;—Death hath lost its sting.
Bring us safe through Jor - dan—To Thy home a - bove.

RESURRECTION

REFRAIN



Thine is the glo - ry, Ris - en, con-qu'ring Son,



End-less is the vic - t'ry Thou o'er death hast won. A - MEN.

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Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

MORECAMBE, 10. 10. 10. 10.

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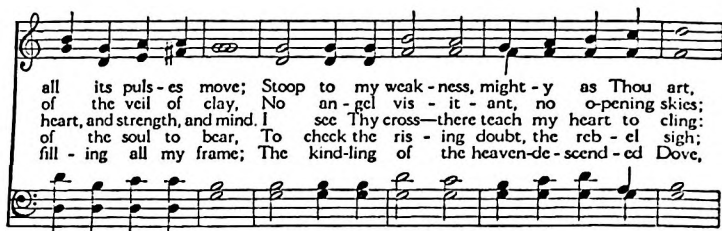
GEORGE CARLY, 1780-1860

Reverently, in moderate time

FREDERICK C. ATKINSON, 1841-1897



1. Spir - it of God, de-scend up-on my heart; Wean it from earth; thro'
 2. I ask no dream, no proph-et ec - sta - sies, No sud-den rend-ing
 3. Hast Thou not bid me love Thee, God and King? All, all Thine own-soul,
 4. Teach me to feel that Thou art, al - ways nigh; Teach me the strug-gles
 5. Teach me to love Thee as Thine an - gels love, One ho - ly pas-sion



all its puls-es move; Stoop to my weak-ness, might-y as Thou art,
 of the veil of clay, No an-gel vis-it-ant, no o-pening skies;
 heart, and strength, and mind. I see Thy cross—there teach my heart to cling;
 of the soul to bear, To check the ris-ing doubt, the reb-el sigh;
 fill-ing all my frame; The kind-ling of the heaven-de-scend-ed Dove,



And make me love Thee as I ought to love.
 But take the dim-ness of my soul a-way.
 O let me seek Thee, and O let me find!
 Teach me the pa-tience of un-an-swered prayer.
 My heart an al-tar, and Thy love the flame. A-MEN.

THE HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide

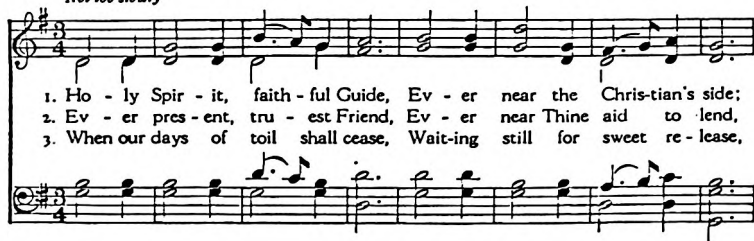
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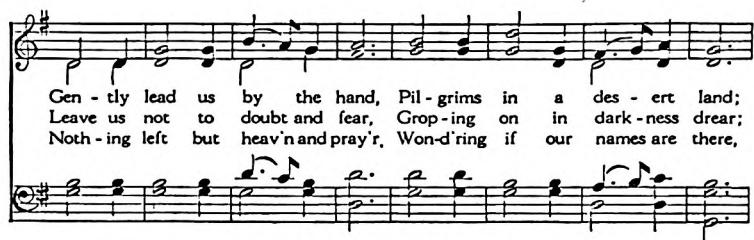
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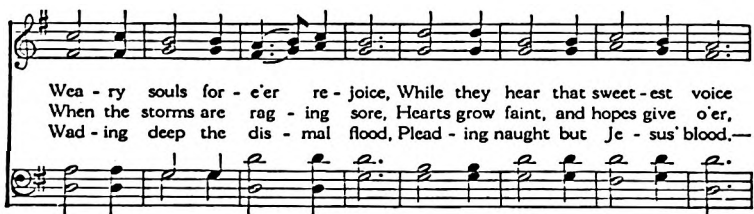
Not too slowly



1. Ho - ly Spir - it, faith - ful Guide, Ev - er near the Chris - tian's side;
 2. Ev - er pres - ent, tru - est Friend, Ev - er near Thine aid to lend,
 3. When our days of toil shall cease, Wait - ing still for sweet re - lease,



Gen - tly lead us by the hand, Pil - grims in a des - ert land;
 Leave us not to doubt and fear, Grop - ing on in dark - ness drear;
 Noth - ing left but heav'n and pray'r, Won - d'ring if our names are there,



Wea - ry souls for - e'er re - joice, While they hear that sweet - est voice
 When the storms are rag - ing sore, Hearts grow faint, and hopes give o'er,
 Wad - ing deep the dis - mal flood, Plead - ing naught but Je - sus' blood.—



Whis - p'ring soft - ly, "Wand'rer, come! Fol - low Me, I'll guide thee home."
 Whis - per soft - ly, "Wand'rer, come! Fol - low Me, I'll guide thee home."
 Whis - per soft - ly, "Wand'rer, come! Fol - low Me, I'll guide thee home." A - MEN.

THE MINISTRY

God of the Prophets! Bless the Prophets' Sons

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TOULON. 10. 10. 10. 10.

DENIS WORTMAN, 1835-1932

GENEVAN PSALTER, 1551

With dignity

1. God of the proph-ets! Bless the proph-ets' sons; E - li - jah's
 2. A - noint them proph - ets! Make their ears at - tend To thy di -
 3. A - noint them priests! Strong in - ter - ces - sors they For par - don,
 4. A - noint them kings! Aye king - ly kings, O Lord! A - noint them
 5. O might - y age of proph - et - kings, re - turn! O truth, O

man - tle o'er E - li - sha cast; Each age its sol - emn task may
 vin - est speech; their hearts a - wake To hu - man need; their lips make
 and for char - i - ty and peace! Ah, if with them the world might
 with the Spir - it of thy Son! Theirs, not a jew - eled crown, a
 faith, en - rich our ur - gent time! Lord Je - sus Christ, a - gain with

claim but once; Make each one no - bler, strong - er than the last.
 el - o - quent To assure the right, and ev - ry e - vil break.
 pass, a - stray, In - to the dear Christ's life of sac - ri - fice.
 blood-stained sword; Theirs, by sweet love, for Christ a king - dom won.
 us so - jourm; A wear - y world a - waits thy reign sub - lime. A-MEN.

I LOVE THY KINGDOM, LORD

I love Thy kingdom, Lord,
The house of Thine abode,
The Church our blest Redeemer saved
With His own precious blood.
I love Thy Church, O God!
Her walls before Thee stand,
Dear as the apple of Thine eye,
And graven on Thy hand.

For her my tears shall fall,
For her my prayers ascend,
To her my cares and toils be given,
Till toils and cares shall end.
Beyond my highest joy
I prize her heavenly ways,
Her sweet communion, solemn vows,
Her hymns of love and praise.

Jesus, Thou Friend divine,
Our Saviour and our King!
Thy hand from ev'ry snare and foe
Shall great deliv'rance bring.
Sure as Thy truth shall last,
To Zion shall be given
The brightest glories earth can yield,
And brighter bliss of heaven. Amen.

HOLY SPIRIT, TRUTH DIVINE

Holy Spirit, Truth divine!
Dawn upon this soul of mine
Word of God, be Thou my Light!
Wake my spirit, clear my sight.

Holy Spirit, Love divine!
Glow within this soul of mine;
Kindle ev'ry high desire;
Perish self in Thy pure fire.

Holy Spirit, Pow'r divine!
Fill and nerve this will of mine;
By Thee my I strongly live,
Bravely bear and nobly strive.

Holy Spirit, Right divine!
King within my conscience reign;
Be my Law, and I shall be
Firmly bound, forever free. Amen.

BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne
We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
Our comforts and our cares.

We share each other's woes,
Each other's burdens bear,
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear.

When we are called to part,
It gives us inward pain;
But we shall still be joined in heart,
And hope to meet again. Amen.

FAITH OF OUR FATHERS

Faith of our fathers! living still
In spite of dungeon, fire and sword;
O how our hearts beat high with joy,
Whene'er we hear that glorious word;
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,
Were still in heart and conscience free;
How sweet would be their children's fate
If they, like them, could die for Thee!
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers, God's great pow'r
Shall soon all nations win for thee;
And thro' the truth that comes from God,
Mankind shall then be truly free.
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers, we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife,
And preach thee, too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life.
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death. Amen.

COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

Come, Thou almighty King, Help us Thy name to sing,
Help us to praise! Father all glorious,
O'er all victorious, Come, and reign over us,
Ancient of Days!

Come, Thou Incarnate Word, Gird on Thy mighty sword,
Our pray'r attend; Come, and Thy people bless,
And give Thy word success; Spirit of holiness,
On us descend!

Come, Holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear,
In this glad hour: Thou who almighty art,
Now rule in every heart, And ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of power!

To Thee, great One in Three, Eternal praises be
Hence, ever-more: Thy sov'reign majesty
May we in glory see, And to eternity
Love and adore! Amen.

HE LEADETH ME: O BLESSED THOUGHT

He leadeth me: O blessed thought!
O words with heavenly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain

He leadeth me, He leadeth me,
By His own hand He leadeth me:
His faithful follower I would be,
For by His hand He leadeth me.

Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom,
Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,
By waters still, o'er troubled sea,
Still 'tis His hand that leadeth me.

Lord, I would place my hand in Thine,
Nor ever murmur nor repine;
Content, whatever lot I see,
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me.

And when my task on earth is done,
When, by Thy grace, the victory's won,
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee,
Since God thro' Jordan leadeth me.

LORD, WE COME BEFORE THEE NOW

Lord, we come before Thee now,
At Thy feet we humbly bow;
O do not our suit disdain!
Shall we seek Thee, Lord, in vain?
Shall we seek Thee, Lord, in vain?

Lord, on Thee our souls depend:
In compassion now descend;
Fill our hearts with Thy rich grace,
Tune our lips to sing Thy praise,
Tune our lips to sing Thy praise.

In Thine own appointed way,
Now we seek Thee; here we stay;
Lord, we know not how to go,
Till a blessing Thou bestow,
Till a blessing Thou bestow.

Grant that all may seek and find
Thee a God supremely kind;
Heal the sick, the captive free;
Let us all rejoice in Thee,
Let us all rejoice in Thee. Amen.

ONWARD, CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS

Onward, Christian soldiers! Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus Going on before.
Christ, the royal Master, Leads against the foe;
Forward into battle, See His banners go!

Refrain

Onward, Christian soldiers, Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus Going on before.

Like a mighty army Moves the Church of God;
Brothers, we are treading Where the saints have trod;
We are not divided, All one body we,
One in hope and doctrine, One in charity.

Crowns and thrones may perish, Kingdoms rise and wane,
But the Church of Jesus Constant will remain;
Gates of hell can never 'Gainst that Church prevail;
We have Christ's own promise, And that cannot fail.

Onward, then, ye people, Join our happy throng,
Blend with ours your voices in the triumph-song;
Glory, laud, and honor Unto Christ the King;
This thro' countless ages Men and angels sing.

WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

What a Friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
 What a privilege to carry Everything to God in prayer!
 O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
 All because we do not carry Everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
 We should never be discouraged: Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share?
 Jesus knows our every weakness: Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden, Cumbered with a load of care?
 Precious Saviour, still our Refuge—Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
 In His arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou wilt find a solace there.

BEYOND THE SUNSET

Beyond the sunset, O blissful morning,
 When with our Savior heav'n is begun,
 Earth's toiling ended, O glorious dawning;
 Beyond the sunset, when day is done.

Beyond the sunset no clouds will gather,
 No storms will threaten, no fears annoy;
 O day of gladness, O day unending,
 Beyond the sunset, eternal joy!

Beyond the sunset a hand will guide me
 To God, the Father, whom I adore;
 His glorious presence, His words of welcome,
 Will be my portion on that fair shore.

Beyond the sunset, O glad reunion,
 With our dear loved ones who've gone before;
 In that fair homeland we'll know no parting,
 Beyond the sunset for evermore!

BLESSED ASSURANCE, JESUS IS MINE!

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
 Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Saviour all the day long;
 This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Saviour all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
 Angels descending, bring from above, Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Saviour am happy and blest,
 Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

GLORIOUS THINGS OF THEE ARE SPOKEN

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God;
He, whose word cannot be broken, Formed thee for His own abode:
On the Rock of Ages founded, What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded, Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters, Springing from eternal Love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters, And all fear of want remove:
Who can faint, while such a river Ever flows their thirst t'assuage?
Grace which, like the Lord, the Giver, Never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hovering, See the cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a covering, Showing that the Lord is near!
Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God;
He, whose word cannot be broken, Formed thee for His own abode. Amen.

JESUS CALLS US, O'ER THE TUMULT

Jesus calls us, o'er the tumult
Of our life's wild, restless sea,
Day by day his sweet voice soundeth,
Saying, "Christian, follow me."

Jesus calls us from the worship
Of the vain world's golden store,
From each idol that would keep us,
Saying, "Christian, love me more."

In our joys and in our sorrows,
Days of toil and hours of ease,
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
"Christian, love me more than these."

Jesus calls us: by thy mercies,
Savior, may we hear thy call,
Give our hearts to thy obedience,
Serve and love thee best of all. Amen.

BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS

Beneath the cross of Jesus, I fain would take my stand,
The shadow of a mighty rock, Within a weary land;
A home within the wilderness, A rest upon the way,
From the burning of the noontide heat, And the burden of the day.

Upon that cross of Jesus, Mine eye at times can see
The very dying form of One, Who suffered there for me;
And from my smitten heart with tears, Two wonders I confess;
The wonder of His glorious love, And my unworthiness.

I take, O Cross, thy shadow, For my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than, The sunshine of His face;
Content to let the world go by, To know no gain nor loss,
My sinful self, my only shame, My glory all the cross. Amen.

WE WOULD BE BUILDING

We would be building; temples still undone
O'er crumbling walls their crosses scarcely lift;
Waiting till love can raise the broken stone,
And hearts creative bridge the human rift;
We would be building, Master, let Thy plan
Reveal the life that God would give to man.

Teach us to build; upon solid rock
We set the dream that hardens into deed,
Ribbed with the steel that time and change doth mock,
Th' unfailing purpose of our noblest creed;
Teach us to build; O Master, lend us sight
To see the towers gleaming in the light.

O keep us building, Master; may our hands
Ne'er falter when the dream is in our hearts,
When to our ears there come divine commands
And all the pride of sinful will departs;
We build with Thee, O grant enduring worth
Until the heav'nly Kingdom comes on earth. Amen.

I LOVE TO TELL THE STORY

I love to tell the story Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory, Of Jesus and His love,
I love to tell the story, Because I know 'tis true;
It satisfies my longings As nothing else can do.

Refrain

I love to tell the story, 'Twill be my theme in glory,
To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story; More wonderful it seems
Than all the golden fancies Of all our golden dreams.
I love to tell the story, It did so much for me;
And that is just the reason I tell it now to thee.

I love to tell the story; 'Tis pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it, More wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story, For some have never heard
The message of salvation From God's own holy Word.

I love to tell the story, For those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story That I have loved so long.

ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME

All hail the power of Jesus' name;
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Crown Him ye martyrs of our God,
Who from His altar call;
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
A remnant weak and small,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Gentile believers, no'er forget
The wormwood and the gall;
Go spread your trophies at His feet
And crown Him Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall,
Join in the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all. Amen.

O WORSHIP THE KING, ALL-GLORIOUS ABOVE

O worship the King, all-glorious above,
O gratefully sing his power and his love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;
His chariots of wrath the deep thunder-clouds form,
And dark in his path on the wings of the storm.

Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend. Amen.

DEAR LORD AND FATHER OF MANKIND

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
 Forgive our foolish ways!
 Reclothe us in our rightful mind;
 In purer lives Thy service find,
 In deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,
 Beside the Syrian sea
 The gracious calling of the Lord,
 Let us, like them, without a word,
 Rise up and follow Thee.

Drop Thy still dews of quietness,
 Till all our strivings cease;
 Take from our souls the strain and stress,
 And let our ordered lives confess
 The beauty of Thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire
 Thy coolness and Thy balm;
 Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
 Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
 O still small voice of calm! Amen.

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

A mighty fortress is our God, A bulwark never failing;
 Our helper, he, amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing.
 For still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe;
 His craft and power are great; And, armed with cruel hate,
 On earth is not his equal.

Did we, in our own strength confide, Our striving would be losing;
 Were not the right man on our side, The man of God's own choosing.
 Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he,
 Lord Sabaoth his name, From age to age the same,
 And he must win the battle.

And tho' this world, with devils filled, Should threaten to undo us;
 We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us.
 The Prince of darkness grim, We tremble not for him;
 His rage we can endure, For lo, his doom is sure,
 One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers, No thanks to them, abideth;
 The Spirit and the gifts are ours Thro' him who with us sideth.
 Let goods and kindred go, This mortal life also;
 The body they may kill, God's truth abideth still,
 His kingdom is forever. Amen.

MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE

My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Saviour divine! Now hear me while I pray,
Take all my guilt away, O let me from this day
Be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart Strength to my fainting heart,
My zeal inspire; As Thou hast died for me,
O may my love to Thee Pure, warm, and changeless be,
A living fire!

While life's dark maze I tread, And griefs around me spread,
Be Thou my guide; Bid darkness turn to day,
Wipe sorrow's tears away, Nor let me ever stray
From Thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream, When death's cold, sullen stream
Shall o'er me roll; Blest Saviour, then, in love,
Fear and distrust remove; O bear me safe above,
A ransomed soul! Amen.

JESUS SHALL REIGN

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Doth his successive journeys run;
His Kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

For Him shall endless prayer be made,
And praises throng to crown His head;
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song,
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name.

Blessings abound where'er He reigns:
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains;
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.

Where He displays His healing power
Death and the curse are known no more;
In Him the tribes of Adam boast
More blessings than their father lost.

Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honours to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen! Amen!

LEAD ON, O KING ETERNAL

Lead on, O King Eternal,
 The day of march has come;
 Henceforth in fields of conquest
 Thy tents shall be our home.
 Thro' days of preparation
 Thy grace has made us strong,
 And now, O King Eternal,
 We lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King Eternal,
 Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
 And holiness shall whisper
 The sweet amen of peace;
 For not with swords loud clashing,
 Nor roll of stirring drums;
 With deeds of love and mercy,
 The heav'nly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King Eternal,
 We follow, not with fears;
 For gladness breaks like morning,
 Where'er Thy face appears;
 Thy cross is lifted o'er us;
 We journey in its light;
 The crown awaits the conquest;
 Lead on, O God of might. Amen.

O MASTER, LET ME WALK WITH THEE

O Master, let me walk with thee
 In lowly paths of service free;
 Tell me thy secret; help me bear
 The strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move
 By some clear, winning word of love;
 Teach me the wayward feet to stay,
 And guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me thy patience; still with thee
 In closer, dearer company,
 In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
 In trust that triumphs over wrong;

In hope that sends a shining ray
 Far down the future's broadening way;
 In peace that only thou canst give,
 With thee, O Master, let me live. Amen.

OUR GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST

Our God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home.

Under the shadow of Thy throne,
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly forgotten as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

Our God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard while life shall last,
And our eternal home! Amen.

IN CHRIST THERE IS NO EAST OR WEST

In Christ there is no East or West,
In Him no South or North;
But one great fellowship of Love
Throughout the whole wide earth.

In Him shall true hearts everywhere
Their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord
Close binding all mankind.

Join hands then, brothers of the faith,
Whate'er your race may be.
Who serves my Father as a son
Is surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both East and West,
In Him meet South and North;
All Christly souls are one in Him
Throughout the whole wide earth. Amen.

WHERE CROSS THE CROWDED WAYS OF LIFE

Where cross the crowded ways of life,
 Where sound the cries of race and clan,
 Above the noise of selfish strife,
 We hear Thy voice, O Son of man!

In haunts of wretchedness and need,
 On shadowed thresholds dark with fears,
 From paths where hide the lures of greed,
 We catch the vision of Thy tears.

The cup of water giv'n for Thee
 Still holds the freshness of Thy grace;
 Yet long these multitudes to see
 The sweet compassion of Thy face.

O Master, from the mountain-side,
 Make haste to heal these hearts of pain,
 Among these restless throngs abide,
 O tread the city's streets again.

Till sons of men shall learn Thy love
 And follow where Thy feet have trod:
 Till glorious from Thy heav'n above
 Shall come the city of our God. Amen.

THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

The Church's one foundation
 Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
 She is His new creation
 By water and the word:
 From heaven He came and sought her
 To be His holy Bride;
 With His own blood He bought her,
 And for her life He died.

Elect from every nation,
 Yet one o'er all the earth,
 Her charter of salvation,
 One Lord, one faith, one birth,
 One holy name she blesses,
 Partakes one holy food,
 And to one hope she presses
 With every grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation
 And tumult of her war,
 She waits the consummation
 Of peace for evermore;
 Till with the vision glorious
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 And the great Church victorious
 Shall be the Church at rest. Amen.

O ZION, HASTE, THY MISSION HIGH FULFILLING

O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling,
To tell to all the world that God is Light,
That He who made all nations is not willing
One soul should perish, lost in shades of night.

Refrain

Publish glad tidings; Tidings of peace;
Tidings of Jesus, Redemption and release.

Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation
That God, in whom they live and move, is Love;
Tell how He stooped to save His lost creation,
And died on earth that man might live above.

Give of thy sons to bear the message glorious;
Give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;
Pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious;
O Zion, haste to bring that brighter day.

WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS

When I survey the wondrous cross,
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my Lord;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

RISE UP, O MEN OF GOD!

Rise up, O men of God!
Have done with lesser things;
Give heart and mind and soul and strength
To serve the King of kings.

Rise up, O men of God!
His kingdom tarries long;
Bring in the day of brotherhood
And end the night of wrong.

Rise up, O men of God!
The Church for you doth wait,
Her strength unequal to her task;
Rise up, and make her great!

Lift high the cross of Christ!
Tread where His feet have trod;
As brothers of the Son of man,
Rise up, O men of God! Amen.

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Alternates: C. J. Biddle, Perry; Richard Goins, Marion; William A. Knight, Des Moines

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Terms Expire—1951

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Terms Expire—1952

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Kansas

9

Terms Expire—1950

Principals: Paul E. Ehly, Ft. Scott; Joe Brown, Great Bend; Mrs. Raymond Baldwin, Topeka
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Terms Expire—1951

Principals: LaVerne Morris, Scott City; LeVern Freeman, Salina; Harold Roberts, Atchison
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Terms Expire—1952

Principals: D. Wright Lunsford, Wichita; Clifton B. Huff, Emporia; Mrs. Forest Bryan, Scott City
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Kentucky

9

Terms Expire—1950

Principals: Paul S. Stauffer, Frankfort; C. N. Barnette, Corbin; C. Lynn White, Harlan
Alternates: Hugh M. Riley, Paducah; Thomas C. Phelps, Williamsburg

Terms Expire—1951

Principals: Elmore Ryle, Morehead; J. Howard Baxter, Mayfield; H. Bennett Farris, Richmond
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Terms Expire—1952

Principals: John C. Chenault, Mt. Sterling; George A. Jacobs, Georgetown; Mrs. Kimble Underwood, Paducah
Alternates: Roy S. Hulan, Hopkinsville; Claude E. Cummins, Falmouth; Mrs. Charles E. Dietze, Henderson

Louisiana

3

Terms Expire—1950

Principal: E. E. Russell, New Orleans
Alternate: Mrs. C. K. Butler, Oil City

Terms Expire—1951

Principal: D. E. Donaldson, Lake Charles
Alternate: C. R. Burcham, Crowley

Terms Expire—1952

Principal: Elmer Davis, Leesville
Alternate: L. H. West, Shreveport

COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS

Michigan

3

Terms Expire—1950

Principal: S. V. Mattson, Lansing

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Term Expires—1951

Principal: Leslie M. Matson, Grand Rapids

Terms Expire—1952

Principals: Mrs. E. R. Tweddale, Grand Rapids; Kenneth B. Secler, Kalamazoo

Minnesota

3

Terms Expire—1950

Principal: F. S. Leavitt, St. Paul

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Principal: W. Dean Mason, Rochester

Alternate: Redden Everett, Minneapolis

Terms Expire—1952

Principal: Charles Duxbury, Mankato

Alternate: Mrs. John Scott, Duluth

Mississippi

3

Terms Expire—1950

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Missouri

9

Terms Expire—1950

Principals: Mrs. A. B. McGlothlan, St. Joseph; Pliney Elliott, Nevada; Howard Prather, Maysville

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Terms Expire—1951

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Terms Expire—1952

Principals: Harry Bullock, St. Louis; Robert Sidney Quinn, Hickman Mills; William K. Herod, Plattsburg

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3

Term Expires—1950

Principal: Mrs. Mary B. Foster, Deer Lodge

Term Expires—1951

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Term Expires—1952

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Nebraska

3

Terms Expire—1950

Principal: Lowell C. Bryant, Lincoln
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Terms Expire—1951

Principal: Emanuel Dubbs, North Platte
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Terms Expire—1952

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New England

3

Term Expires—1950

Principal: Willis P. Miller, Lynn, Mass.

Term Expires—1951

Principal: Charles W. Hobbs, Middleton, Mass.

Term Expires—1952

Principal: Chester A. Sillars, Danbury, Conn.

New Mexico

3

Term Expires—1950

Principal: J. P. Miller, Las Cruces

Terms Expire—1951

Principal: Ira J. Balles, Albuquerque
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New York and New Jersey

3

Term Expires—1950

Principal: John Francis Bellville, Elmira, New York

Term Expires—1951

Principal: Norman G. Crawford, Tonawanda, New York

Term Expires—1952

Principal: Samuel F. Freeman, Jr., East Orange, New Jersey

North Carolina

6

Terms Expire—1950

Principals: C. P. Campbell, Rocky Mount; Lamar Hocker, Charlotte
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Terms Expire—1951

Principals: A. M. Fountain, Raleigh; Mrs. H. Glenn Haney, Greenville
Alternates: W. O. Haney, Wilmington; Mrs. J. Roger Brooks, Kinston

Terms Expire—1952

Principals: Mrs. Ben G. Mattox, Smithfield; Mrs. J. F. Parrott, Kinston
Alternates: Mrs. L. T. New, Asheville; Mrs. John H. Martin, Washington

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Ohio

9

Terms Expire—1950

- Principals:* Wilford H. McLain, Norwood; Ben Holroyd, Ravenna; Lawrence H. Maines, Cleveland
Alternates: George Crenshaw, North Baltimore; Beryl S. Kinser, Youngtown; Mrs. A. J. Culler, Cleveland

Terms Expire—1951

- Principals:* C. N. Filson, Toledo; Robert S. Tuck, Wooster; Ira A. Pater, Wooster, Dayton
Alternates: Lowell A. MacFarlane, Bedford; Russell A. Deitch, Toledo

Terms Expire—1952

- Principals:* Guy J. Wright, Toledo; Franklin H. Minck, Akron; Mrs. Frank C. Ransdell, Kenton
Alternates: Hoke S. Dickinson, Cleveland; Merrill L. Cadwell, Warren; Mrs. Lester F. King, Columbus

Oklahoma

9

Terms Expire—1950

- Principals:* J. Clyde Wheeler, Oklahoma City; Ray Wallace, Norman; Walter Hargraves, Wewoka
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Terms Expire—1951

- Principals:* Truce Lewellyn, Oklahoma City; Ray E. Snodgrass, Enid; Walter Moore, Enid
Alternates: Charles Hudson, Alva; Oscar T. Moline, Tulsa; Brace Johnson, Altus

Terms Expire—1952

- Principals:* Carlton Garrison, Kingfisher; Charles Neff, Muskogee; Charles Arnold, Okemah
Alternates: Dan E. Smith, Helena; Guy McPherson, Hooker; Wendell Tull, Newkirk

Oregon

3

Terms Expire—1950

- Principal:* Charles Addleman, Portland
Alternate: D. L. Penhollow, Redmond

Terms Expire—1951

- Principal:* Aldis L. Webb, Tillamook
Alternate: Holly Roy Jarvis, Medford

Terms Expire—1952

- Principal:* Hubert E. Stas, Portland
Alternate: Kenneth M. Johnston, Dallas

Pennsylvania

6

Terms Expire—1950

- Principals:* Ben F. Leach, Beaver; Harry K. Franks, Lemoyne
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Terms Expire—1951

- Principals:* C. E. Rostofer, Canton; A. Homer Jordan, Dunmore
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COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS

Terms Expire—1952

Principal: William R. Vivrett, Pittsburgh

Alternates: Earle R. Starkey, Connellsville; T. B. Shearer, Wilkes-Barre

South Carolina

3

Terms Expire—1950

Principal: W. J. Swindell, Varnville

Alternate: C. C. Thompson, Charleston

Term Expires—1951

Principal: Mrs. S. W. Breeland, Holly Hill

Term Expires—1952

Principal: Joel E. Vause, Greenville

South Dakota

3

Terms Expire—1950

Principals: W. I. Snook, Sioux Falls; Gilford E. Olmsted, Sioux Falls;
Traverse Harrison, Aberdeen

Alternates: Miss Olive Stevenson; L. I. Shoop, Sioux Falls; Cecil Ageton,
Sioux Falls

Tennessee

6

Terms Expire—1950

Principals: R. G. Sherrer, Chattanooga; H. B. Aikin, Knoxville

Alternates: Mearl Lasley, Raleigh; W. J. Hadden, Clarksville

Terms Expire—1951

Principals: W. G. West, Chattanooga; J. David Kidwell, Union City

Terms Expire—1952

Principals: James S. Gupton, Murfreesboro; Alex Mooty, Nashville

Texas

9

Terms Expire—1950

Principals: Granville T. Walker, Fort Worth; George Kuykendall, Lubbock;
Woodrow Jones, Beaumont.

Alternates: Theodore McElroy, Paris; Don Root, Dallas; William Everton,
Marshall

Terms Expire—1951

Principals: Mrs. G. L. Miller, Texarkana; William Griffith, Center; Mrs.
Ed S. Mace, Houston

Alternates: Mrs. R. G. Storey, Dallas; Clyde Lindsley, Midland; Mrs.
Jewell Wallace, San Antonio

Terms Expire—1952

Principals: John Wallenberg, Brownsville; Harry L. Owens, San Antonio;
Mrs. E. C. Richards, Jacksboro

Alternates: Jewell Benson, Houston; Mrs. Harvey Shead, Longview; Harry
Olson, Henrietta

COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS

Utah

3

Term Expires—1950

Principal: Lloyd Newton, Ogden

Term Expires—1951

Principal: Clyde Fleming, Salt Lake

Term Expires—1952

Principal: A. H. Good, Salt Lake

Virginia

9

Terms Expire—1950

Principals: W. F. MacGowan, Norfolk; W. P. Taylor, Galax; D. N. Sutton,
West Point

Alternates: Kenneth R. Bain, Roanoke; G. Curtis Jones, Richmond

Terms Expire—1951

Principals: R. A. White, Roanoke; W. M. Norment, Jr., Martinsville;
Ernest R. Worrell, Galax

Alternates: Mrs. A. B. Stanger, Lynchburg; Mrs. B. P. Goad, Hillsville;
E. B. Wolford, Woodstock

Terms Expire—1952

Principals: Mrs. A. C. Meadows, Radford; Pettit H. Coffey, Minera; Paul
Drumheller, Winchester

Alternates: W. P. Blackwell, Deltaville; C. C. McCoy, Danville; H. J.
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Washington

3

Terms Expire—1950

Principals: William Henry Hart, Spokane; Donald M. Salmon, Seattle

Alternates: John Paul Pack, Seattle; Carl A. Johnson, Tacoma; Edwin L.
Whisler, Spokane

West Virginia

3

Terms Expire—1950

Principal: James Blair Miller, Bethany

Alternate: John Nelson, Clarksburg

Terms Expire—1951

Principal: Joseph A. Garshaw, Huntington

Alternate: Hubert L. Barnett, Wheeling

Terms Expire—1952

Principal: Logan Martin, Parkersburg

Alternate: Eugene May, Bluefield

Wisconsin

3

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Wyoming

3

Terms Expire—1950

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Terms Expire—1951

Principal: Mrs. George Wall, Laramie

Alternate: Mrs. Earl Harris, Cheyenne

Terms Expire—1952

Principal: E. West, Laramie

Alternate: Ray D. Borgaard, Cheyenne

Canada—Ontario

3

Term Expires—1950

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Term Expires—1951

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Term Expires—1952

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Terms Expire—1950

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Terms Expire—1951

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Terms Expire—1952

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The United Christian Missionary Society**

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William A. Shullenberger, Indianapolis, Ind.
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Note: The Board of Trustees of The United Christian Missionary Society has recently taken action recommending the dissolution of this Commission; they have advised the formation of a new committee to cover the work heretofore carried by the Commission on World Order, and also to enlarge its scope to include other issues within the purview of the Department of Social Welfare.

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INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF DISCIPLES
OF CHRIST

Annual Report

The International Convention of Disciples of Christ completed its fourth year of service with an established office and a full-time staff on June 30, 1950. During the year the Centennial Convention was held at Cincinnati, Ohio, October 25-30, with 8,303 paid registrations and a total attendance estimated well in excess of 10,000. A considerable portion of the time and effort of the Convention office was invested in preparation for, holding, and following up the business of the Convention.

Under the capable leadership of President F. E. Davison, South Bend, Indiana, the 1949 Convention Assembly fittingly celebrated "A Century of Cooperation." Rarely have we brought to a Convention audience such high dramatic moments as were experienced at Cincinnati. It was an Assembly to be remembered always by those who were fortunate enough to be present. The ecumenical communion service held jointly with the Cincinnati Church Federation at Cincinnati Garden was attended by 15,000. Worshipers estimated at 10,000 were unable to obtain admission to the service.

One of the historic events of the past year was the incorporation of the International Convention by action of the Cincinnati Assembly. The Convention is now a corporation with all of the powers and responsibilities pertaining thereto. Henceforth, the governing body will be known as the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors met January 19 and 20 and considered carefully all items which had been referred to it by the Cincinnati Assembly. Among the important actions taken were authorization to print 5,000 copies of the report of the *Commission on Restudy* for the years 1946, 1947, and 1948; authorization was given for the raising of funds for the Disciples' share of support of the Protestant Radio Commission; for the payment of \$1,000.00 for the work of the Committee on Religious Tolerance; endorsement of Disciple participation in promoting *The Protestant World*.

The Board of Directors has recommended that literature created by the International Convention be distributed at the discretion of the Executive Secretary and Business Manager.

One important item referred to the Board of Directors was a proposal to hold biennial Assemblies of the Convention. The recommendation of the Board of Directors is as follows:

"That it is our judgment that we need a national gathering every year rather than biennial, and that in lieu of regional conventions we recommend the strengthening of our State Conventions and the calling of whatever regional convocations for special purposes may be needed."

It was further voted:

"That the International Convention stand ready, in view of the likely adoption of a long-range program of the Brotherhood at the Oklahoma City Convention, to take the leadership in set-

ting up means for promoting this long-range program in the fall of 1951, perhaps in a series of area convocations; and that we instruct our Executive Secretary to take the initiative in leading out in such a program, calling upon the leaders of the agencies to share in the promoting of such conferences."

The Board of Directors, in light of the increased expenses in holding an Annual Assembly authorized an Oklahoma City pre-Convention registration fee of \$3.00; \$3.50 after October 7, 1950.

The continuing functions of the International Convention office between Assemblies are carried on through Commissions and Committees. Among these are: The Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships; The Commission on Chaplaincy Endorsement; Commission on Baptist-Disciple Relations; and Commission on World Order. Standing committees are: Program and Arrangements, Prayer Meeting Topics, Nominations, Relief Appeals, Fraternal Relations, Publicity, Time and Place, Necrology, Auditing, and Restudy Extension.

The Executive Secretary has, aside from his responsibilities in connection with the Annual Assembly, served as minister-at-large to the Brotherhood. His services have been varied and are listed as follows:

Local Churches: West Virginia—Bethany, Huntington; Ohio—Lyons, Mt. Vernon, Mansfield, Toledo Hampton Park, Harrison, Warren Central, Remsen Corners; Indiana—Connersville, Evansville East Side, Tipton, Royal Center, Mooresville, Kokomo Main Street, Hammond First, New Albany Park, New Castle, Danville; Illinois—Danville First, Mt. Sterling, Abingdon, Blue Mound; Florida—Orlando; New York—Tioga Parish, Buffalo—University and Central; Oklahoma—Oklahoma City Crown Heights; Mississippi—Jackson; Kentucky—Ewing, Flemingsburg, Maysville; Connecticut—Danbury.

Ministers' Institutes and Retreats: New York-New Jersey; Chicago Disciples Union; Disciples Divinity House, Chicago; Canadian Ministers' Conference, St. Thomas; Yale Campbell Club, New Haven; Central Kentucky Ministers' Association, Lexington; inauguration of President Wake, Lynchburg College; inauguration of President Riley Montgomery, The College of the Bible.

Miscellaneous Brotherhood Services: Bethany, West Virginia, Adult Conference; Student Workers' Conference, Indianapolis; Adult Conference, Gulfport, Mississippi; International Christian Youth Fellowship Commission, Champaign, Illinois; National Christian Missionary Convention, Edwards, Mississippi; Butler School of Religion Chapel; Post-Crusade Planning Committee; Home and State Missions Planning Council; Illinois Joint Board Meetings, Bloomington, Illinois; Council of Agencies, 2 meetings (Indianapolis, Hiram); meeting of Findings Committee of Council of Agencies, 2 meetings (St. Louis, Indianapolis); Trustees of The College of the Bible; Adult Conference, Center Point, Texas.

Interdenominational Meetings: The American Baptist Convention at Boston; Religion in American Life Planning Conference, New York City; Baptist-Disciple Conference, Green Lake, Wisconsin; Interchurch Transportation Day at the Chicago Railroad Fair; Baptist-Disciple Rally, Buffalo, New York; Annual meeting of the Advisory Committee, Ameri-

can Bible Society, New York City; World Council of Churches, USA Member Churches, Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania; Conference on Church Union, Greenwich; Executive Committee of the Conference on Church Union, Philadelphia; Church and Economic Life, Detroit; National Congress on Home Missions, Columbus, Ohio; Indianapolis Church Federation; Committee on Religious Tolerance, Columbus, Ohio.

The Executive Secretary has served as Secretary to the Committee on Program and Arrangements, to the Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships, the Council of Agencies, Nominating Committee, Baptist-Disciple Commission. Minutes have been kept and distributed on each of these commissions and committees, involving heavy correspondence.

Actions of the Cincinnati Assembly of the International Convention have been carefully followed through with the necessary correspondence.

Four trips have been made to Oklahoma City within the past year in preparation for the 1950 Assembly.

Travel expenses throughout the year totaled \$1,706.37, with travel reimbursement and honoraria in connection with these engagements, \$775.61. Estimates as to mileage covered and days in the field seem to be merely the adding of statistics, but they have been enjoyable miles and days and we trust useful to the Kingdom.

The Business Manager, H. B. Holloway, has assisted in the promotion of the International Convention budget, edited the 1949 Year Book of Disciples of Christ, has handled church transportation and secured railroad courtesies of considerable financial benefit to our Brotherhood work in all of its departments. Beginning with 1949, he has taken over the entire responsibility as Convention Registrar, has handled pre-Convention registrations and the making of hotel reservations. Last year at Cincinnati and currently at Oklahoma City, he has responsibility for the organization of local committees in the city entertaining the Convention, and handles all negotiations with respect to exhibits at the Convention. For many years, including the past year, he has been Secretary of the Interchurch Transportation Committee, serving major Protestant, Catholic and Jewish bodies in the USA. In this position he is highly esteemed for his thoroughness and accuracy in expediting the work of the Committee. In the fall of 1949, the Interchurch Transportation Committee was in charge of the program at the Chicago Railroad Fair, dedicated to the Railroads of America. Mr. Holloway had the major responsibility for making arrangements for this highly successful enterprise, which has resulted in increased understanding and good will between the churches and the railroads.

The Recording Secretary, Miss Gertrude Dimke, whose office is located in the International Convention headquarters, has faithfully kept the records of the 1949 proceedings and has served as custodian of the archives containing the record of the business of the Convention during preceding year. In addition to her official responsibilities, she serves as the efficient office secretary and bookkeeper of the International Convention office.

The financial report of the International Convention shows a net increase of 133 contributing churches during the year closing June 30, 1950, or a total of 1,142 congregations who remitted funds during the past year. There were actually 249 new churches in this list, but some churches were delayed in their contributions beyond the closing of the books and therefore could not be counted. Total receipts from churches were \$35,177.44 to apply on a budget of \$40,554.00. During the year State International Convention Maintenance Committees have been set up in most of the states. Their function is both educational and promotional. They have secured responses from many of the new churches, and most of the states have adopted state goals for Convention support at their State Conventions. This organization is to continue. For the sake of the churches themselves, as well as to create adequate funds with which to render an enlarged service, hundreds of additional churches should be enlisted with annual contributions for the Convention budget.

Among the appointments made during the past year for the larger work of the Brotherhood have been: Voting Representatives, Alternate Voting Representatives and Visiting Delegates to the Constituting Convention of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA; representatives to the Conference of Member Churches of the World Council of Churches; representatives to the Council on Church Union; members of the Disciple Section of the Baptist-Disciple Commission; representatives to the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; delegates to the Baptist-Disciple Conference, Green Lake, Wisconsin; Extension Committee on Restudy; Commission on Relations with the United Church of Christ; Commission on Chaplaincy Endorsement.

It has been our purpose to fulfill the high hopes of our Brotherhood for a useful International Convention. During the past year, we have written and distributed a leaflet entitled, "Among You As One Who Serves." Each church contributing to the support of the Convention has received a "Certificate of Cooperation" to be displayed as a symbol that the congregation is part of a Brotherhood.

The Cincinnati Convention with its slogan, "A Century of Cooperation," was hailed as evidence that we are "growing up" as a people; that we have attained a corporate status in that we recognize our responsibility to each other and to the Church. There is no trend toward ecclesiastical or Convention domination of the Brotherhood. Quite the reverse is true! In all of our history we have never achieved greater freedom for the local church, nor have we provided such clear channels through which our corporate tasks may be under the control of the local churches and their members. We continue to dedicate ourselves to the fulfillment of those objectives and processes appropriate to an association of free churches who desire to cooperate for common purposes to the end that our Lord, Jesus Christ and His Church only, may be exalted.

Respectfully submitted,
Gaines M. Cook, Executive Secretary

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

Receipts and Disbursements, Year Ended June 30, 1950

	Convention Fund	Year Book Fund
Receipts:		
Contributions—Churches	\$35,177.44	
Contributions—individuals	324.00	
Assessments against participating organizations		\$13,899.14
Sales—Convention addresses, church Year Books	1,475.28	6,200.96
Advertising space—church Year Book		884.53
Field and miscellaneous receipts	800.81	
1949 Annual Assembly receipts:		
Program income	2,164.70	
Exhibitors' Fees—net after expense	3,154.47	
Registration Fees	17,636.09	
Communion Service Offering	5,496.79	
1950 Annual Assembly advance receipts:		
Registration fees	3,546.10	
Exhibitors' fees (expense advance)	(7.50)	
	<u>69,768.18</u>	<u>20,984.63</u>
Disbursements:		
Salaries and clerical	17,052.17	5,417.48
Travel—staff	2,197.46	
Pension Fund dues	1,260.00	
Office rent and electricity	2,063.68	
Postage	1,296.94	1,236.71
Office Supplies and Forms	843.12	775.51
Telephone and telegraph	379.42	49.16
Equipment purchased	336.10	
Printing—general	1,704.80	
Printing—1949 Convention addresses, church Year Book	2,478.13	13,783.24
Expense of Commissions	1,133.50	
Travel—Executive Committee	869.15	
Travel—miscellaneous	727.28	
“Declaration and Address” book—net cost	546.20	
Committee for Religious Tolerance—contribution	1,000.00	
Miscellaneous expense	1,108.65	21.87
1949 Annual Assembly expense	24,413.89	
1950 Annual Assembly advance expense	4,708.33	
1952 Annual Assembly advance expense (rent)	500.00	
	<u>64,618.82</u>	<u>21,413.57</u>
<i>Net Receipts</i>	5,149.36	
<i>Net Disbursements</i>		428.94
<i>Balance, July 1, 1949</i>	2,073.12	1,935.44
<i>Balance, June 30, 1950</i>	<u>7,222.48</u>	<u>1,506.50</u>

Oren D. Pritchard
Treasurer

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

August 25, 1950

Board of Directors
International Convention of Disciples of Christ
Indianapolis, Indiana

Gentlemen:

We have examined the cash records of the International Convention of Disciples of Christ for the year ended June 30, 1950, for the purpose of verifying the receipts and disbursements for the year.

In our opinion, the attached statement of receipts and disbursements correctly presents the year's cash transactions.

Since the Convention's fiscal year closes at a time when receipts and disbursements applicable to the next Annual Assembly have begun to appear on the books, the June 30 cash balance is not the true measure of the Convention's free working balance at that date. Following is a statement of the actual working balance at the close of the last four years, obtained by treating all Assembly receipts and disbursements as though recorded in the fiscal year in which the Assembly date falls:

June 30, 1947	10,963.74
June 30, 1948	8,920.39
June 30, 1949	3,454.70
June 30, 1950	8,892.21

It is seen that during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1950, there was an increase in the working balance of \$5,438, compared with a decrease during the preceding year of \$5,466.

We show below a comparison of the complete receipts and expenses of the Annual Assemblies of 1947, 1948, and 1949, obtained by combining the partial amounts shown in two separate fiscal years.

	Income	Expense	Net
1947	\$10,666.28	\$13,604.94	\$2,938.66 Loss
1948	9,209.19	15,033.43	5,824.24 Loss
1949	34,102.80	31,496.22	2,606.58 Income

The net income from the 1949 Assembly, amounting to \$2,607, is seen to account for approximately half of the total increase of \$5,438 in working balance. The remainder of the increase came from the excess of supporting contributions and other receipts over the cost of the general office. This excess, however, was possible because actual expense was some \$3,500 under the adopted budget, and not because receipts were larger than projected requirements.

The cash balance in the Year Book fund does not represent a permanent working balance. It arises from a temporary excess of receipts from sales over expenses since February 28, 1950, the date at which the net cost of the 1949 Year Book (printing cost and thirteen months' expense less

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receipts from sales and advertising) was assessed to the participating organizations. The temporary balance at June 30, 1950, will be absorbed at the next assessment date as a reduction of costs.

Yours very truly,
Doyle Zaring
Donald B. Boyd
Ralph W. Snyder, Chairman
Auditing Committee

**Proposed Budget for 1950-1951 which has been Approved by the Board
of Directors and Commission on Budgets and Promotional
Relationships of the International Convention of
Disciples of Christ**

Salaries, total staff	\$19,000.00
Travel, Executive Secretary and Business Manager	2,700.00
Travel, Board of Directors and President	1,500.00
Pension Dues	1,410.00
Office rent, postage, printing and maintenance	6,962.00
Expense, International Convention Commissions	2,000.00
Subsidy for Annual Assembly	2,000.00
Participation in Federal and World Councils	3,500.00
International Convention proportion of Year Book cost.....	2,000.00
Contingent	800.00
	<u>\$41,872.00</u>

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THE UNITED CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY
THIRTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

Executive Statement

H. B. McCormick, President, Indianapolis, Indiana

"I will build my church," said Jesus, "and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it."

History first demonstrated the truth of that statement when the century-long persecutions of the Imperial Roman Empire failed to destroy the Christian movement at its inception. Through the years whenever the church has been weakened within and hard pressed without, the power of Christ resident in it has revitalized its life and expanded its mission.

In carrying out his world embracing purposes for his church, Jesus directed his followers to use a very simple method: first, win men; second, teach them.

In creating The United Christian Missionary Society, as the following reports will show, our churches have wisely followed this directive of our Master. For experience shows that to win men without teaching them is futile, and that Christian teaching not directly connected with a world embracing evangelistic passion may become sterile. When the two are joined together, as Christ directed, they are filled with irresistible power.

For purposes of administration the program of the Society is divided into departments and sections, but the work is essentially one. Let us consider a few of the many phases of this united enterprise.

When our churches set up the Crusade for a Christian World they asked the United Society to assume responsibility for a greatly expanded evangelistic program. In the post Crusade period this evangelistic emphasis will continue to hold a central place at home and abroad.

But winning men necessitates teaching them. That is why the church school enlargement program has been and will continue to be greatly expanded. The necessity for instructing the 250,000 young people who are members of our church has become increasingly evident. Through summer and weekend conferences hundreds of these young people are receiving special training in local church leadership.

The church is following the 50,000 students in our colleges and universities more effectively than ever before and this work will be measurably expanded. It is from these youth groups that the hundreds of young people who are dedicating themselves to full-time Christian service come. The choosing of carefully selected recruits is receiving major attention.

But the teaching of those who have been won to Christ involves the local church. That is why so much is being done in the area of church development in town and country and in urban centers. How fortunate

it is that state and national organizations have united with local church leaders through the Home and State Missions Planning Council for the development of more effective local church programs!

Let us turn now to other phases of the work.

In connection with the World Council Assembly at Amsterdam a careful study was made of the place of woman in the work of the church. It was universally agreed that the effective work which they have been doing through the years needs to be expanded. In the light of these studies the Christian Women's Fellowship in our own church group takes on added significance. For seventy-five years the women of our churches have rendered effective service. This new enterprise which they are establishing is in keeping with their well-known tradition of advance.

Perhaps the most neglected force in the Christian movement is to be found in the unused manpower of our churches. The strength of this lay enterprise is in the fact that its basic purpose is to back the local church in its home field, as well as in the state, nation and world.

The obligation for neglected and minority peoples is recognized by our church body in the maintenance of home mission institutions. The service rendered in these institutions is growing and in some cases there is remarkable development.

When we think of our work beyond our borders vast and vital change confronts us. Whole populations torn from their moorings are needing guidance. This is strikingly evident in China, where atheistic communism seeks dominance; in Japan, where the entire nation is attempting to move from feudalism to democracy in a single generation; in the Philippines, where after many vicissitudes they are seeking to govern themselves; in India, where in spite of national division they must face the world as their own masters, and in Africa, where commercial developments are changing life conditions. In other fields the changes are not so evident but just as real. This fluid state of thinking and living offers opportunities for Christian expansion which are limited only by resources and personnel.

Dealing with this situation requires that we shall develop trained Christian leaders in each country. To this end we are conducting some 400 schools. In a number of places, hospitals and medical service unlock doors for the Christian message. Orphanages make possible the nurture and training of children in Christian living from infancy. In other places the development of the means of livelihood makes it possible for Christians who have broken away from the old order to sustain themselves and become a Christian example to those about them.

The winning of men to Christ and the establishment of churches are basic. Basic, also, are the Christ-filled lives of the missionaries and native Christians, who, as in the days of old, are living epistles read and known of all men.

Certainly, for an enterprise which is seeking to change the direction of history we need the finest life which America can give. Fortunately, such lives are available. Six hundred young people have dedicated themselves to full-time foreign service. From that splendid group the finest are chosen, trained and sent. Are we not obligated as they go to

see that they have the equipment for the work to which the church commissioned them? At the last meeting of our budget committee it was necessary to reject \$100,000.00 in requests from these splendid workers because resources were not available. This situation must be corrected.

As we close one missionary year and enter the new, may it be the deep determination of each one of us that to the utmost of our ability we shall see to it that this result is achieved.

During the year Miss Jessie M. Trout was elected to the vice-presidency of The United Christian Missionary Society, succeeding Mrs. R. A. Doan. She will keep her portfolio as executive secretary of the women's work while rendering this service. Mrs. Louise Moseley has accepted the responsibility for gathering information of current activities of the Society throughout the world, and of interpreting that information to the brotherhood. Dr. C. M. Yocum, who has served the Society for thirty-three years, retired as of June 30, 1950, under the age retirement regulation.

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DIVISION OF GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

President—H. B. McCormick.

Vice-President—Miss Jessie M. Trout.

Secretary—Miss Mayble M. Epp.

Treasurer and Attorney—Francis W. Payne.

Department of Financial Resources—Spencer P. Austin, Executive Secretary; W. R. Holder, J. Rex Smith, Amos W. Myers, Margaret Lawrence, National Directors.

Department of Interpretation—Mrs. Louise Mosley, Executive Secretary.

Department of Men's Work—W. H. McKinney, Executive Secretary; Mark Rutherford, National Director.

Department of Publicity and Audio-Visual Services—C. A. Weesner, Executive Secretary; C. R. Dawson, Miss L. Dee Warren, National Directors.

Department of Service—Ralph A. Prather, Executive Secretary; Mrs. Ada M. Mosher, National Director.

Department of Treasury—Francis W. Payne, Treasurer and Attorney, Walter Weimer, Assistant Treasurer.

Financial Resources Department

The purpose of the financial resources department of The United Christian Missionary Society is twofold. On the one hand, the department encourages a steady flow of support from the churches to undergird 212 foreign missionaries; 2,439 national workers on the foreign field; and 196 home missionaries and staff members of home missions and Christian education—all serving Christ as evangelists, teachers, doctors, administrators and workers in various capacities. On the other hand, the department makes available to the churches of the United States and Canada the resources of The United Christian Missionary Society in terms of staff, missionary speakers, literature and general information about the work, the policies and administration of The United Christian Missionary Society.

Regular Giving. In the cultivation of regular receipts from church organizations and individuals, The United Christian Missionary Society cooperates with Unified Promotion. During the missionary year July 1, 1949, to June 30, 1950, the following offerings came to the Society. For the general fund \$1,531,540.43 was received in offerings and \$155,677.44 from miscellaneous sources. Field receipts (home and foreign) were \$604,267.33. From bequests \$64,000.88 was received and \$49,600.00 was placed with the Society as annuity agreements. Special funds included \$53,738.50 from offerings and \$171,104.02 from miscellaneous sources. The gain for this missionary year from promotional sources for the general fund was \$1,456.10.

Individuals, Wills and Annuities. Individual contributors to the work of the Society continue to support a worthy share of the financial program. These gifts are in addition to the regular offerings through the churches and church organizations, and are essential for the ongoing work. The Society also accepts gift annuity agreements which offer the twofold opportunity of a small regular income for life coupled with a

gift for the work, when the funds are released. Individual Christians are encouraged to remember the work through properly executed wills, and also to make memorial gifts as bequests.

Field Service. In cooperation with Unified Promotion, the department of financial resources makes available the missionaries of the Society to churches, church organizations, conferences, conventions, and other meetings of our brotherhood. The department is anxious that missionaries shall be available in reasonable proportion to all the areas of our brotherhood, and also that our missionaries and workers may have opportunity to be heard and known so that their program and work may be understood and appreciated.

Link Relationships and Definite Objects. Link relationships with our missionaries are available to churches, church organizations and individuals. At the present time there are 329 of these personal ties with missionaries who work at home and abroad. The department also offers projects of definite object giving which bring more personal contact into missionary support.

Men's Work

The department of men's work at the request of laymen was created five years ago to develop the manpower of our churches and guide men to an increased share in the total work of the church. Serving much like a church board in a local church, there is a National Laymen's Advisory Commission which is not administrative but which advises the department concerning policies and activities. It is composed of state presidents of all state organizations of men such as Laymen's Leagues, Ninety and Nine and state men's advisory commissions. This body confers at least once a year as a total group and expresses itself in additional meetings during the year through a Central Committee, the members of which are: Harry Hines, Dallas, Texas, chairman; Meril A. May, Scarsdale, New York, vice-chairman; W. H. McKinney, Indianapolis, Indiana, secretary; John A. Laws, Memphis, Tennessee; Wilbur E. Tunison, Burbank, California; J. C. Hanna, Kansas City, Missouri, and A. C. Ragsdale, Columbia, Missouri, as members-at-large.

At the present time there are thirty states with a state organization, eleven of which engage a part- or full-time secretary or director of men's work. These directors meet at least once a year for a training period to coordinate their work and plan effective leadership for men's work throughout the brotherhood.

The national department prepares suggested projects, also programs for monthly meetings, which are distributed free to the churches through regular mailings and upon request. Last year the estimated travel of the two staff members was 90,000 miles and the estimated audiences for both men was in excess of 100,000.

A monthly newsletter was mailed to leaders of men's work. News releases and articles concerning men's work are sent regularly to our national and state papers. Forty thousand copies of the leaflet "If You Were a Minister" have been mailed individually. Weekend retreats for the purpose of enrichment, fellowship and guidance have been popular.

The growth of men's work is reaching such proportions as to place it

in the top level of church planning. Improved leadership on local levels and increased interest by ministers have been factors in the rising tide of men's work.

Publicity and Audio-Visual Services

The functions of this department are (1) to give to the churches and individual members of the brotherhood reports and information concerning the work which they carry on through the various departments of the Society; and (2) to produce and distribute audio-visual materials to aid in the processes of religious and missionary education.

Publicity. The publicity section is responsible for gathering information from every field of work, preparing copy, and distributing it through available channels. News releases in the form of news items, human interest stories and newsletters are sent in a continuous flow to national and regional publications. A further source of information for the local church is provided in patent sides, parish papers, prepared "backs" for church bulletins and local church papers. More than 500 of our churches in about forty states are thus served reaching an average 100,000 people each week. The parish paper, in its first year, is proving increasingly popular and is going into twenty-two states.

Newsletters are secured from the foreign fields on a regular schedule. They provide information from missionaries concerning personal activities and accomplishments on the mission fields and are sent directly to interested friends.

Information for local publicity concerning staff and missionary speakers is offered, with biography and picture or mat of the speaker, to the place where each engagement is made.

Black and white pictures showing the work of the Society are made or secured and filed for use as needed for any purpose of illustration. Many of these are secured from workers on the fields. Others are photographed by the staff of the department, finished and printed in the department. Last year approximately 1,000 pictures were produced by the department and several hundred were added to the files from the fields.

Audio-Visual Services. The audio-visual section produces, or cooperates in producing, and distributes audio-visual materials specifically planned for church use. During the year, four sets of slides were completed and released, production on four sound film strips was begun and the department cooperated in the production of three sound films. Audio-visual materials used in the Centennial Convention were prepared by this department.

The demand for audio-visuals for church use is greater than the Society or our brotherhood can provide. Therefore, the department cooperates through the Audio-Visual Education Committee of the International Council of Religious Education and participates in the Audio-Visual Production Conferences of the Council; and is a constituent member of the Protestant Film Commission, sharing cooperatively in its productions.

This year the audio-visual library served at least 1,000 churches in forty-four states providing approximately 2,500 bookings of films, film strips, slides and recordings. The audio-visual library selects and provides for the churches the finest available audio-visuals for missionary and Christian education.

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Service

Some idea of the scope of the operations of the service department may be had through the following quick look at some of its sections.

In the addressograph section there are approximately 75,000 plates containing names of ministers, Sunday school superintendents, and many other local church leaders.

The card file section keeps careful record of the giving of some 8,000 churches and 6,000 individual contributors.

In the mail forwarding section mimeographed documents and various packets are assembled. Hundreds of mailings of form letters with enclosures are made each year.

Approximately 200,000 pieces of incoming first-class mail are handled and sent on to the proper person, along with a great amount of second- and third-class material.

Each year nearly 10 tons of paper pass through our Mimeograph machines to produce form letters, program materials, news releases, minutes of meetings, and similar documents.

In the printing section four offset presses and two Multigraph machines produce hundreds of thousands of patent sides, parish papers, letterheads, order cards, *Guideposts*, *Highlights*, and similar pieces which would otherwise have to be printed at much greater expense.

In the transcribing section a battery of typists transcribes dictation and does copy work equal to the writing of approximately 35,000 one-page letters each year.

The sales literature section makes the best in missionary literature available to state conventions and other church gatherings, and in addition thousands of orders for free and sales materials are filled each year to make available to every local church the many helps in program planning which are produced by the Society.

The secretarial assistants serve in the various departments. They "see jobs through" the service sections, file material of special interest to the department, and take care of the clerical detail, thus releasing field persons for greater service.

TREASURY

THE UNITED CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

June 30, 1950

General Fund Receipts

Offerings—percentage share in	
Unified Promotion	\$1,530,641.43
Offerings—above percentage --	899.00
Interest (U.C.M.S.)	102,020.73
Interest (Old Societies)	23,439.91
Home Missions Institutions ---	211,649.41
Foreign Field Receipts	392,617.92
Miscellaneous	30,216.80
Total	\$2,291,485.20

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*Special Fund Receipts

Offerings—Special Funds ----\$	53,738.50	
Bequests -----	64,000.88	
Royalties -----	122,754.24	
Annuities -----	49,600.00	
Miscellaneous -----	48,349.78	
Total		\$ 338,443.40
Grand Total		\$2,629,928.60†

Summary of Expenditures by Phases of Work

	General Fund	Special Funds	
Foreign -----	\$1,141,549.66	\$ 233,909.65	\$1,375,459.31
Home -----	593,233.40	109,054.76	702,288.16
Religious Education -----	199,848.79	73,076.77	272,925.56
Missionary Education -----	26,705.15		26,705.15
Missionary Organizations -----	173,152.68	5,232.31	178,384.99
Financial Resources -----	108,211.52		108,211.52
Administration -----	36,251.67		36,251.67
Men's Work -----	24,789.63		24,789.63
Publicity-Audio Visual Services	22,060.00		22,060.00
Service -----	200,142.39		200,142.39
General -----	21,047.53	43,929.07	65,876.60
Totals	\$2,547,892.42	\$ 465,202.56	\$3,013,094.98†

Expenditures Detailed by Phases of Work

	General Fund	Income on Mission Fields	Special Funds	Totals
Foreign Missions				
Africa -----	\$166,822.14	\$ 19,790.57	\$ 31,331.29	\$ 217,944.00
China -----	78,146.82	91,218.71	20,317.54	189,683.07
India -----	142,299.48	93,423.00	31,683.44	267,405.92
Jamaica -----	14,563.56	10,264.27	557.54	25,385.37
Japan -----	34,216.69	63,624.48	18,649.87	116,491.04
Mexico -----	41,352.68	14,319.34	510.78	56,182.80
Philippine Islands --	43,471.64	16,526.71	8,001.04	67,999.39
Puerto Rico -----	31,110.69	62,717.96	2,842.83	96,671.48
South America -----	57,723.83	20,732.88	26,518.46	104,975.17
College of Missions--	19,570.19			19,570.19
National Project ---			69,981.83	69,981.83

*Special funds, and income therefrom, benefit the work by supplementing the General fund. These special funds include bequest, annuity, permanent and trust funds, royalties, and gifts for designated purposes, such as mission properties, equipment or special services. Permanent and trust funds cannot be expended but are invested to provide income for the work. Annuity gifts must be invested and are not available for the work until released by request or death of the annuitant. Each special gift is administered separately to fulfill the expressed wish of the donor.

†Excess of expenditures over receipts made from General, Special and other Funds available.

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	General Fund	Income on Mission Fields	Special Funds	Totals
Foreign Missions				
Insurance on Mission Property -----	1,639.86			1,639.86
Pension and Pension Dues -----	54,563.98			54,563.98
Salaries and Travel ..	29,051.24			29,051.24
Foreign Relief -----			15,977.72	15,977.72
Interest on Deposit A/CS of Missionaries	7,015.08			7,015.08
Miscellaneous -----	27,383.86		7,537.31	34,921.17
Totals	\$748,931.74	\$392,617.92	\$233,909.65	\$1,375,459.31
Home Missions				
Church Maintenance \$	38,078.19		\$ 21,071.30	\$ 59,149.49
Rural Work -----	3,611.53			3,611.53
Highlanders:				
Hazel Green Ac. --	24,721.00	\$ 41,735.72	4,401.14	70,857.86
Dale Hollow -----	2,785.18		125.25	2,910.43
Social Welfare -----	14,908.83		3,361.91	18,270.74
Negro Work:				
Jarvis Christian College -----	53,441.50	71,780.90	42,084.53	168,206.93
Southern Christian Institute -----	45,295.64	51,158.18	15,512.94	111,966.76
National Negro Work -----	12,000.00			12,000.00
Japanese-Americans --	4,924.99			4,924.99
Mexican Institutes and Churches -----	23,383.70	11,131.25	3,200.94	37,715.89
Indian Work -----	15,430.14	12,470.30	1,430.00	29,330.44
French Work -----	7,475.29			7,475.29
All Peoples Church, Los Angeles -----	17,010.00	23,373.06	305.93	40,688.99
Cooperative Work ---	5,050.00			5,050.00
Evangelism -----	8,088.57		14,483.60	22,572.17
Insurance on Mission Property -----	7,202.72			7,202.72
Pensions and Pension Dues -----	19,187.94			19,187.94
Salaries and Travel of Secretaries -----	58,920.04			58,920.04
Miscellaneous -----	20,068.73		2,177.22	22,245.95
Totals	\$381,583.99	\$211,649.41	\$109,054.76	\$ 702,288.16

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Expenditures Detailed by Phases of Work

Religious Education	General Fund	Special Funds	Totals
Field Workers Salaries and Travel Expenses -----	\$113,445.02		\$ 113,445.02
Youth Program -----	13,322.78	\$ 59,784.88	73,107.66
Pension and Pension Dues -----	8,893.61		8,893.61
Salaries and Travel of Secretaries and Directors -----	47,689.25		47,689.25
Division of Christian Education --		5,167.35	5,167.35
Miscellaneous -----	16,498.13	8,124.54	24,622.67
Totals	\$199,848.79	\$ 73,076.77	\$ 272,925.56

Missionary Education

Salaries and Travel of Secretaries and Directors -----	\$ 18,620.75		\$ 18,620.75
Pension Dues -----	756.00		756.00
Miscellaneous -----	7,328.40		7,328.40
Totals	\$ 26,705.15		\$ 26,705.15

Missionary Organizations

Salaries and Travel of Secretary and Directors -----	\$ 23,100.54		\$ 23,100.54
Organizational Development in States -----	127,537.71		127,537.71
Pensions and Pension Dues -----	9,080.81		9,080.81
Christian Women's Fellowship ----		\$ 5,232.31	5,232.31
Miscellaneous -----	13,433.62		13,433.62
Totals	\$173,152.68	\$ 5,232.31	\$ 178,384.99

Financial Resources

Salaries and Travel of Secretary and Directors -----	\$ 18,324.49		\$ 18,324.49
Promotion, publicity, etc. -----	87,362.61		87,362.61
Pension and Pension Dues -----	2,524.42		2,524.42
Totals	\$108,211.52		\$ 108,211.52

Administration

Salaries and Travel of General Officers -----	\$ 23,907.54		\$ 23,907.54
Pensions and Pension Dues -----	5,564.45		5,564.45
Miscellaneous -----	6,779.68		6,779.68
Totals	\$ 36,251.67		\$ 36,251.67

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Expenditures Detailed by Phases of Work

Men's Work	General Fund	Special Funds	Totals	
Salary and Travel of Secretary and Director -----	\$ 14,576.25		\$ 14,576.25	
Pension Dues -----	1,883.56		1,883.56	
Miscellaneous -----	8,329.82		8,329.82	
Totals	\$ 24,789.63		\$ 24,789.63	
Publicity and Audio Visual Services				
Salary and Travel of Secretary and Directors -----	\$ 14,781.62		\$ 14,781.62	
Pension Dues -----	365.00		365.00	
Miscellaneous -----	6,913.38		6,913.38	
Totals	\$ 22,060.00		\$ 22,060.00	
Service				
Salary and Travel of Secretary and Directors -----	\$ 8,559.04		\$ 8,559.04	
General Office Expenses -----	180,655.35		180,655.35	
Pensions and Pension Dues -----	10,928.00		10,928.00	
Totals	\$200,142.39		\$ 200,142.39	
General				
Miscellaneous -----	\$ 21,947.53	\$ 43,929.07	\$ 65,876.60	
Totals	\$ 21,947.53	\$ 43,929.07	\$ 65,876.60	
Grand Totals by	General Fund	Mission Fields	Special Funds	Total
Phases of Work -----	\$1,943,625.09	\$604,267.33	\$465,202.56	\$3,013,094.98

"OTHER FUNDS" ADMINISTERED
(Not Applicable to Phases of Work)

Deposits of Missionaries	Receipts	Disbursements
Funds Deposited with U.C.M.S.	\$ 173,347.32	
Funds Disbursed by U.C.M.S.		\$ 162,702.19
World Call		
Subscription and Advertising	99,412.88	
Salary and Travel of Editor		
National Secretary and		
Assistant to Editor	\$12,508.05	
Production, circulation, office, etc.	79,074.14	91,582.19

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Literature Department

Sales of Literature Receipts	69,812.71	
Literature Expense and Costs		72,426.09

Patent Sides

Sales of Patent Sides	29,375.25	
Patent Sides Expense and Cost		29,296.18

Investments

Matured	520,265.52	
Reinvested		565,982.21

Gift Annuity Agreements Interest

Income from Investments	73,357.63	
Interest payments on Annuity Agreements		74,307.19

Mission Treasurers Funds

Receipts	56,612.95	
Disbursements		48,433.33

Crusade

Receipts	737,410.50	
Disbursements		577,411.98

Printing Department

Operational Receipts	41,295.43	
Operational Expense		36,690.39

Sundry Fund Transfers

Receipts	519,171.02	
Disbursements		74,182.81

Total "Other Fund" Receipts	\$2,320,061.21	
Total "Other Fund" Disbursements		\$1,733,014.56

CASH STATEMENT

Total General and Special Fund Receipts	\$2,629,928.60
Total Work Expenditures	3,013,094.98

*Over expended—General and Special Funds	\$ 383,166.38
"Other Funds" Receipts	\$2,320,061.21
"Other Funds" Disbursements	1,733,014.56

Unexpended—"Other Funds"	\$ 587,046.65
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Net unexpended	\$ 203,880.27
Cash on Hand July 1, 1949	\$ 585,574.23
Cash on Hand June 30, 1950	\$ 789,454.50

*Expenditures of General and Special Funds in excess of Current receipts, but from Special and other Funds available.

**UNITED CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY
FUND AND PROPERTY STATEMENT—JUNE 30, 1950**

Assets	Totals	ANNUITY FUNDS ¹	PERMANENT AND TEMPORARY TRUST FUND	SPECIAL AND RESERVE FUNDS ²	PROPERTY	SIDES, AND VISUAL AIDS PRODUCTION FUNDS	PATENT	WORLD CALL FUND	PRINTING FUND	CURRENT GENERAL FUND
Cash in General Account	\$ 376,907.36	\$ 302.56	\$ 547.46	\$ 52,984.81	\$	\$25,728.61		\$16,810.06	\$13,256.82	\$267,277.04
Cash in Crusade Account	412,547.14			412,547.14						
First Mortgage Investments	2,425,655.39	1,582,000.00	446,900.00	522,450.00						
First Mortgage Investments										74,303.39
U. S. Bonds (including U. S. Bonds)	56,419.10	56,419.10								
Stocks and Bonds (including U. S. Bonds)										
Real Estate	1,871,795.52		105,228.12	1,485,072.78						281,494.62
Books and Literature	5,000.00									5,000.00
Patent Sides, and Visual Aids Funds										
Office Equipment	55,483.36					55,483.36				
Mission Property—Home and Foreign Fields	52,060.75				46,380.42				5,680.33	
Advance Insurance and Pension Dues Premiums	2,829,400.36				2,811,971.20	17,429.16				
Advance from General Fund	14,978.17			14,978.17						
Miscellaneous										
	17,988.59			13,204.10			Cr. 8,063.57			8,063.57
										4,784.49
Totals	\$8,118,233.74	\$1,438,721.66	\$552,675.58	\$2,501,237.00	\$2,858,351.62	\$90,577.56	\$16,810.06	\$18,937.15	\$640,923.11	
Liabilities										
Deposits by Missionaries										333,148.46
Amounts held for Foreign Mission Fields										41,059.86
Totals	\$ 374,208.32									\$374,208.32
Fund Balances	\$1,438,721.66	\$552,675.58	\$2,501,237.00	\$2,858,351.62	\$90,577.56	\$16,810.06	\$18,937.15	\$640,923.11		
Net Worth, June 30, 1950	\$7,744,025.42									

¹There is included in the Annuity Funds for The Benevolent Fund \$85,113.12 the Church Extension Fund \$48,346.24 and the Ministerial Relief Fund \$5,625.10. These amounts are transferred as the annuities mature.

²Special Funds are amounts on hand for building purposes, etc., and are used as rapidly as conditions permit.

CERTIFICATE OF AUDITOR

Board of Trustees of
The United Christian Missionary Society
Indianapolis, Indiana

Gentlemen:

We have audited the accounts of The United Christian Missionary Society for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1950, and have verified the cash, securities and other assets as of that date.

We have also examined the Treasurer's report, a copy of which is attached hereto, showing assets of \$8,118,233.74, total liabilities of \$374,208.32 and total fund balances of \$7,744,025.42 as of June 30, 1950.

We certify that the Balance Sheet shown in the Treasurer's report is in agreement with the records of the Society and with our report of audit as of June 30, 1950; and in our opinion, correctly presents the financial condition of The United Christian Missionary Society at that date.

Yours very truly,
F. C. Albershardt
Certified Public Accountant

Committee on Missionary Personnel

This committee has responsibility for enlisting young men and young women for full-time Christian vocations and advising them about their training. The members of the committee represent departments of The United Christian Missionary Society that deal with personnel for religious education, the ministry, home missions, and foreign missions. The volume of work that the committee has done has multiplied greatly during the years of the Crusade. The quota of volunteers for the ministry, set at the beginning of the Crusade, was 2,172. During the Crusade years 2,773 young persons have indicated that they wish to prepare for this type of Christian leadership.

Approximately 660 have volunteered for Christian service abroad. Fifty-nine have gone to their fields. One hundred have taken all the steps required for acceptance into candidacy and are continuing their preparation. Of the remaining 500, approximately 275 are studying in high school and 225 in college.

Seventy-four have volunteered for various types of work in home missions and 188 have offered their services to the Church in the field of religious education.

The Committee has recently redefined its functions in the light of its increasing responsibilities, as follows: (1) the total enlistment for full-time Christian service, (2) the production of materials for that purpose and (3) the approach to young people in local churches, high schools, and colleges, so as to avoid overlapping of field appointments and to make possible the team method of recruiting.

The Committee plans to produce one piece of printed matter to explain the principles of choosing a lifework and to set forth the opportunities among Disciples of Christ in every Christian vocation.

THE UNITED CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY AND THREE OLD BOARDS
Combined Statement of Assets and Liabilities at June 30, 1950

Assets	U.C.M.S.	A.C.M.S.	F.C.M.S.	C.W.B.M.	Total
Cash, securities, etc.	\$5,170,014.27	\$207,087.85	\$168,545.25	\$455,269.51	\$6,000,916.88
Property	2,881,461.11		367,990.75	83,875.93	3,333,327.79
Church loans	7,900.00				7,900.00
Miscellaneous	58,858.36				58,858.36
Total	<u>8,118,233.74</u>	<u>207,087.85</u>	<u>536,536.00</u>	<u>539,145.44</u>	<u>9,401,003.03</u>
Less: Direct Liabilities	374,208.32				374,208.32
NET WORTH OVER DIRECT LIABILITIES	<u>7,744,025.42</u>	<u>207,087.85</u>	<u>536,536.00</u>	<u>539,145.44</u>	<u>9,026,794.71</u>
Contingent Liabilities:					
Annuity funds	1,409,080.96	20,000.00	19,000.00	5,626.35	1,453,707.31
Evaluated annuity funds	29,640.70				29,640.70
Trust funds	92,468.33				92,468.33
Special funds	1,406,104.61				1,406,104.61
Total	<u>2,937,294.60</u>	<u>20,000.00</u>	<u>19,000.00</u>	<u>5,626.35</u>	<u>2,981,920.95</u>
NET WORTH OVER DIRECT AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES	<u>\$4,806,730.82</u>	<u>\$187,087.85</u>	<u>\$517,536.00</u>	<u>\$533,519.09</u>	<u>\$6,044,873.76</u>

Permanent Funds:

American Christian Missionary Society
Christian Woman's Board of Missions
The Foreign Christian Missionary Society
The United Christian Missionary Society

\$ 185,235.51
440,731.48
144,240.04
460,207.25
\$1,230,414.28

CERTIFICATE OF AUDITOR

Indianapolis, Indiana
August 14, 1950

We have audited the accounts of the American Christian Missionary Society, the Christian Woman's Board of Missions, the Foreign Christian Missionary Society, and The United Christian Missionary Society, and hereby certify that the attached consolidated statement showing total assets of \$9,401,003.03 and direct liabilities of \$374,208.32 is correct.

Frederick C. Albershardt
Certified Public Accountant

Indianapolis, Indiana
August 14, 1950

No. 4

DIVISION OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

Department of India and Japan Missions—C. M. Yocum, Executive Secretary (ad interim).

Department of Africa and The Orient—Virgil A. Sly, Executive Secretary.

Department of Latin America Missions—Mrs. Mae Yoho Ward, Executive Secretary.

Missionary Personnel—E. K. Higdon, Executive Secretary.

General. The churches on our foreign fields baptized 5,735 people last year, the church membership now totaling 96,880. The hospitals gave a total of 660,153 treatments. The schools—423 in number—enrolled 17,062 students. Because of the devaluation of currency on several of our fields the total amount of money raised on our fields was worth less in American dollars than was the amount raised the previous year but to the nationals furnishing the money, the gifts and fees were just as large or larger.

Our cooperative work made progress. We are happy to work with the American Mission to Lepers in India, Congo and Paraguay. In our leper work in these locations we furnish the workers and the Mission to Lepers generously provides the budgets.

Africa Missions

Congo. The Disciples of Christ Congo Mission continues to grow and to develop. Despite the very severe limitations in staff for the year 1949, the Mission reports 3,567 baptisms, raising the present membership to 73,385. The schools enrolled 8,601 students and the hospitals gave 387,033 treatments. These statistics indicate a Mission that is very much alive to its responsibilities and gives some intimation of the tremendous opportunity for development.

With the financial encouragement of the government, our doctors or nurses are doing more than ever for the victims of leprosy. We now have leper colonies in operation near Lotumbe and Mondombe, and a third is being constructed at Wema. The government is giving full support to the treatment of all such diseases and is supplying our hospitals with medicine. The Mission has voted to participate in the establishing of a Union Medical Institute in Lower Congo so that the number of well-trained Congolese medical assistants may be increased.

The educational program has become a much heavier burden with the interest of the government in education. Subsidies are now being granted to Protestant schools that can now qualify. Several of our stations have received partial subsidies. This means longer hours of class work, raised standards and thus an increased burden to the small educational staff. The Mission is trying to add more agricultural courses and handicrafts to the curriculum but persons from America are needed who can give their full time to these areas of interest.

The statistical report on evangelism presents the fact that large numbers of new converts are added yearly, but without adequate supervision by a strong mission staff there is the constant danger that this conversion is insufficiently nurtured, that the care of these converts is not adequate and that they may be lost by neglect. The evangelistic task con-

fronted with the pagan practices of witchcraft, and a growing materialistic philosophy due to contact with Western civilization, requires that this program be augmented by increased staff in order that more adequate supervision to the outreach of the church may be given.

There is much to be proud of in the Congo report for the year 1949. There still remains an awesome responsibility which must be assumed by the Disciples of Christ. As the field secretary of the Congo Mission said in his report to the Society, "The Congo Mission has a great future, if—yes—if the Brotherhood in the U.S.A. really wants it to have a future. It is up to the people in the pews."

South Africa. The South Africa report shows a wholesome growth in all of the churches. Our representative, Mr. Basil Holt, was elected president of the Witwatersrand Church Council and he has also continued to serve in various other capacities, including the Christian education movement of South Africa, the Civil Rights League and the World Council of Christian Education. Mr. Holt was also elected a member of the Advisory Council of the Department of Divinity of Rhodes University, the only Protestant institution for the higher education of ministers in South Africa.

One of the most significant developments of the year was the inauguration of the Peter Ainslie Lectures on Christian Unity at Rhodes University. Mr. Holt has served as a field officer for the South African Institute of Race Relations and organized one of the most significant inter-racial groups in the city of Johannesburg, known as the International Club. Mr. Alan Paton, author of *Cry, the Beloved Country* serves this club as the honorary President.

The program of native work in the city of Benoni is developing very nicely. The total program in South Africa shows marked progress and promises a very solid beginning of a significant program for the future.

China Missions

China. The actual picture of the Mission in China continues to be confused. The situation changes from day to day and from area to area. The annual report shows that we had 16 full-time missionaries on the field during 1949. A few missionaries had to return home, which was to be expected, but the church membership continues to grow. The report indicates that there were 329 baptisms which is an unusual record viewed in light of the restrictions placed on the missionary staff and the church by the government.

The staff situation continues to be very grave due to the fact that, although we have had some missionaries coming out on regular furlough and because of health and family, we have been unable to get any missionaries into the field for two years. A goodly group of missionaries are under preparation for China and the Society is preparing a staff in anticipation of a day when they may begin service there. Unless this restriction on entrance into China is raised, the situation as affecting staff will be very serious by 1952.

The largest problem faced by the Mission deals with the projection of the message of Christ. Because the government has control of the institutions of education where we formerly carried on our school work, the teaching of religion in the schools has had to be transferred to the

church and the home. The restrictions that were placed on the missionaries during the year made it almost impossible to give supervision to the church in the villages. Fortunately, we have a well-trained Chinese leadership under the direction of Luther Shao who has been able to see that the continued fellowship of the church has not been impaired by the multitudinous restrictions placed on missionary personnel.

It is amazing how much has been achieved in these very difficult and dangerous times in China. Each institution, educational, medical, and church, has continued to function. The missionaries are unanimous in their opinions that the work must go on and that every means possible must be utilized to keep the staff intact and the work continuing.

The China missionaries with the consent of the Society are determined to stick it out as long as they are permitted by the communists to stay in China. This, of course, has not been possible for all of them, but it has been the basic policy. This policy cannot continue much longer than 1952 when most of the present missionaries will return home on furlough. Nevertheless it is the feeling of the Mission on the field and the foreign division that the Mission must continue in China as long as it is permitted to stay. The past year has been an important one in the history of missions as conducted by the Disciples of Christ. The courage and confidence of the China Mission should be matched by the church in America.

India Missions

India. Growth marked our schools and hospitals during this past year. The growth in the hospital incomes was almost phenomenal. The growth in the schools sharpened the problem of budgets as the amount of fees we may charge is limited by the government. Governmental pressure for higher salary scales continued, in spite of educational retrenchment, which has hit our newer educational enterprises, the Boy's High School at Bilaspur, and the Middle School at Pendridih (Takhatpur), both of which failed to get grants this year.

Dr. L. K. Shah, Principal of the Union High School, Jubbulpore, and John Nathan, formerly House Father at Damoh Boarding School, passed away within the year.

Three nationals returned from study in the U.S.A., Nathaniel Peters of our Home Mission Station at Kotah, Murad M. Schoo, Head Master of the Bilaspur Boy's High School, and Peter Solomon, of the Damoh-Hatta-Jubbulpore area, now located at Damoh. Suman Choudhari just failed to return within the year, but arrived at Convention after Nursing training in Philadelphia.

The Eye Camps and Roadside Dispensary at Mungeli, and the Nurses Training School at Bilaspur continue their special service. The completion of Chapels in both Mungeli and Bilaspur mark a new phase of our religious services in our Hospitals.

The churches have been stimulated by the Crusade in matters of giving for others, especially the Home Mission Work at Kotah, in matters of volunteer evangelism, and in the Christian Home movement.

Our union work has been continued much as usual. Leonard finished its first year as a Union Seminary, with three of our folk as students. The Agricultural Institute has had a good year, though facing heavy financial demands. Pendra Road Sanatorium has had a difficult year

with staff "incompatibility" and with some political repercussions within and without, but has kept up its service to the unfortunate.

Our young people continue to flock to college in growing numbers, though we are able to help only about twenty-five and most of them only by a small share of their total costs. Four were in the medical field and three in seminary.

Growth, development, better support of church-sponsored missions, amazing opportunities for sales of Christian literature, for widening medical service, the use of audio-visual aids in evangelistic work, and the training of future leaders, are high lights of 1949.

Japan Missions

Japan. All who have been particularly concerned about the remarkable postwar challenge and opportunity in Japan welcome the fact that 1949 marks a turning point in the matter of emphasis upon this field of opportunity and responsibility. The year's end found a force of ten missionaries allocated either temporarily or permanently to Japan, eight of them already on the job in Tokyo.

Reconstruction of church buildings and social work units goes on apace. Two new chapels were dedicated during the year. The hospital in Tokyo's slums was expanded, and the rebuilding of the war-destroyed day nursery begun. Both the boys' and girls' schools in Tokyo were given needed repair and enlargement. Many improvements were made in the facilities at the Foundling Home, which doubled the number of abandoned infants cared for at the year's beginning.

The increased number of available missionary teachers for our schools has given the schools greatly improved standing academically, but has helped especially in the matter of a strengthened Christian program among the students. The availability, for the first time, of a missionary nurse, for our hospital and the orphanage, has meant new morale and efficiency, among both nurses and doctors. Our churches in Tokyo have had special help from the missionaries in their youth work programs, including English Bible classes.

Christian youth work in Japan has received stimulating leadership from several of our own younger missionaries. One of our number has served as missionary of the Youth Section of the Japan Council of Christian Education and of the National Christian Council. Christian Work Camps, participated in by both Japanese and American young folk, were among the outstanding features of the 1949 forward movement of Christianity in this land.

The new kindergartens were added during the year, enrolling over two hundred children. There has been a continuing interest in Sunday school attendance which for some of our churches has meant inability to care for all who wished to attend. One of our largest churches has had to maintain two successive sessions of the entire school each Sunday morning.

Advanced age and infirmity of most of our pastors, two of whom died within the year, has prevented the aggressive evangelistic program that the times demand, but in spite of handicaps the churches are growing steadily. Several young men have volunteered for ministerial training.

Latin America Missions

Argentina. Colegio Ward, Disciple-Methodist School, had the largest enrollment in its history, with 757 in the Spanish division and 541 in the American section. Of the 54 students in the Union Theological Seminary, 5 were Disciples. The high point of the year was the Curriculum Conference and the Latin-American Congress meetings in the Seminary.

Our five churches ended the year with a membership of 414, and over \$5,000 were raised on the field for local and missionary expenses. During December Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Higdon spent ten days visiting in the churches and meeting with the leaders to learn the personnel needs for the coming year.

The year marked the entrance of all Argentine pastors in the national pension system. The churches have been registered with the department of "religions" and have received their registration number, without which no business can be transacted.

Jamaica. Mr. E. A. Edwards, minister of the Torrington Church, Kingston, was the fraternal delegate to the Centennial Convention at Cincinnati.

Christian College, a secondary rural school, has grown from an enrollment of five in 1946 to 47 in 1950. Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Roberts (Jamaican) are in charge of the school with Mr. and Mrs. Archie Allen serving on the faculty. With a growing student body it was necessary to erect a two-story school building which would accommodate four classes. Until now the school has been meeting in the Oberlin Church. Three of the students are looking toward the ministry and one graduate is taking full-time theological work.

The thirty-one churches took as their theme "Crusading through Evangelism." Many of them put on a house-to-house visitation under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nelson. The women of Oklahoma made possible through the Crusade a Carry-all which is used for taking sound and visual aid equipment to the churches.

Mexico. Mr. and Mrs. Byron Spice, commissioned at the Cincinnati Convention, joined the Mexico staff, working at the social center in Aguascalientes until land could be purchased at Pabellon for the development of a rural center and school to which they have been assigned. Miss Jessie Law was moved to Los Haro to assist in the maternity clinic, thus freeing the Mexican nurse, Miss Suarez to open a new clinic at La Ermita.

Hope Hospital continued to minister to the health needs, not only of Aguascalientes, but to Disciples from the rural areas. There were 366 babies born within its walls and 1,071 patients cared for.

The churches are growing in their outreach and service to the community. Central Church at San Luis Potosi has served hot breakfasts to underprivileged school children; and arranged mid-week prayer services under the direction of laymen. Miss Maria Garcia gave full time to the direction of women's societies, traveling among the churches, offering counsel and advice and helping to train leadership.

Paraguay. During 1949 Colegio International had its first year with a separate building for the lower primary grades. This was possible

because of the closing of the Boys' Dormitory. In this way many more students were served and better work habits formed. A kindergarten was also opened.

With the return of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hughes in April, the church again had a full-time pastor. Mr. Lemmon had been serving both as director of the school and pastor. With funds from the Crusade a much-needed addition for Sunday school rooms was started. Two recitals on the new memorial Hammond organ drew full houses. The women's society held a very successful bazaar, the proceeds being used to equip the church kitchen.

Leper work was continued under the local organization Patronato de Leprosos. With help from the American Mission to Lepers some foods, clothes, medicines (especially one of the new sulfa drugs), blankets and shoes were supplied to these unfortunates in the government colony at Sapucay.

In Coronel Oviedo, newly opened center, the Sunday school and church services have grown steadily. The sale of New Testaments and Bibles has increased considerably indicating a growing interest in Evangelical Christianity. The Daily Vacation Bible School and the program presented by this school was one of the triumphs of the year.

Puerto Rico. The outstanding event of the year was the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of Protestant work in the island. During the week of March 6 each mission held its own annual assembly and then all of the Protestant churches held mass meetings in San Juan on March 12 and 13. Disciple churches were hosts to fifty Disciples from the United States.

In May Mr. William T. Pearcey, Executive Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, visited the island for several days to talk with some of the churches about loans for much-needed expansion of existing facilities. As a result of his visit five churches immediately were granted loans totaling \$31,700.00. This new service promises to be of great benefit.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. McWilliams, of Argentina, and Miss Mildred Durrett arrived in June to assume the responsibility for McLean Conference Grounds during the furlough of the Garland Farmers. Miss Durrett went as a short-term worker for eighteen months. She supervises recreation and has established a library for the children of the community.

Two Disciples, Mr. Virgilio Gonzalez and Mr. Isidro Diaz Lopez, represented the Island at the Protestant Congress in Buenos Aires.

Late in the year Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Higdon and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Bader visited the island, met with our pastors, and visited many of the churches.

Philippines Missions

Philippines. The church in the Philippines has shown a remarkable evangelistic record following the war. The membership of the churches during the war, due to death and removal, dropped to approximately 4,500 and in these years immediately following the war has been raised back to 7,275. During 1949 there were added by baptism 912, and the number of organized churches showed a healthy increase of 21 in the year. The Philippines Mission is very much alive evangelistically to its opportunity.

Two great areas for expansion and development are to be found in the mountain provinces of Abra and Apayao. The Mission has organized a high school in each of these provinces which is laying a very substantial foundation for the future work of the church. The people are very eager for an education and are of unusual sturdiness of character.

The church in the Manila area has shown a very vigorous evangelistic outreach and there is real promise of a developing program of evangelism which will result in the planting of a number of new churches in this area. The Ilocano church in the provinces of Ilocos Sur and Ilocos Norte in northern Luzon has shown unusual vigor in that it has endeavored through the Vigun Training Institute to provide a leadership for the rural areas and the mountain churches.

The annual report calls attention to the fact that progress is dependent upon the following factors: first, the provision of adequate personnel from America; second, the provision of funds whereby adequate leadership may be trained in the Philippines for churchmanship and the provision of institutions that will train both the seminary leader and the institute type who can take care of the growing city church program and the simple functions necessary in the rural community; and third, the need of our brotherhood to meet the challenge of the growing program in the mountain provinces of Abra and Apayao.

No. 5

DIVISION OF HOME MISSIONS

Department of Church Development and Evangelism—Willard M. Wickizer, *Executive Secretary*; Charles L. Brooks, Theodore R. Leen, Dale W. Mcdearis, Fred W. Michel, Lyle V. Newman, *National Directors*; Mrs. Chloe E. Kelly, *Field Supervisor*; Mrs. W. M. Liverett, *Departmental Associate*.

Department of Institutional Missions—Mrs. Alice Gadd Buckner, *Executive Secretary*.

Department of Social Welfare—James A. Crain, *Executive Secretary*; Walter W. Sikes, Mrs. Ruth Estes Milner, *National Directors*.

Director of Construction and Repairs—James Sugioka.

Home Missions Congress. Under the sponsorship of the Home Missions Council of North America an interdenominational congress on home missions was held at Columbus, Ohio, January 25-27, 1950. Such congresses are held about every quarter of a century. The division of home missions participated actively in the congress and was instrumental in securing the attendance of approximately 75 delegates representing the Disciples of Christ.

Home and State Missions Planning Council. Throughout the year the Home and State Missions Planning Council continued to provide a creative avenue for cooperative planning for the churches of the brotherhood on the part of the division of home missions and the various state missionary societies. The staff of the division gave much time to the work of the Council since the division is committed to doing its basic planning through this organization.

Interdenominational Cooperation. During the year the division sought to cooperate wholeheartedly in interdenominational activities. The agencies through which such cooperation was carried forward and to which the division gave a measure of financial support are: Home Missions Council of North America; the following state departments of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America—Department of Evangelism, Department of Christian Social Relations, Department of International Justice and Goodwill, Department of Race Relations, Department of Church and Economic Life, Commission on the Ministry, Commission on Worship, Committee on Religious Work in the Canal Zone; Interdenominational Council on Spanish Speaking Work; John Milton Society for the Blind; Student Volunteer Movement; Church Conference of Social Work; Church World Service Committee on Displaced Persons; National Religion and Labor Foundation.

Church Development and Evangelism

Evangelism. Throughout the year the department was handicapped in its evangelistic service due to its lack of a national director of evangelism. At year end it was looking forward to the coming of Theodore R. Leen to fill this position. In spite of full-time leadership in the field of evangelism the department continued to give all possible encouragement and aid to the churches of the brotherhood to the end that the evangelistic goal of the *Crusade for a Christian World* might be realized. Specific

activities throughout the year consisted of a pre-Easter project, an emphasis on reaching non-resident members, promotion of *Home Evangelization* projects, leadership in city-wide evangelistic efforts and co-operation in the *United Evangelistic Advance*. Three regional Crusade evangelists served throughout the year.

Church Maintenance. During 1949-1950 the department assisted in the financial support of ministers serving 50 white congregations in the United States and Canada and 7 pastoral unities, 8 Negro congregations and one Negro evangelist. In addition to local congregations aided, the department assisted in the financial support of state secretaries serving Arizona, New Mexico, Arkansas, Capital Area, Florida, South Idaho, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, New England, New York, New Jersey, Wyoming and the All-Canada secretary. Much time was given through the year in cooperating with state societies on new church projects. The year end marked the resignation of Howard R. Dungan as director of church maintenance and the coming of Fred W. Michel to fill that position.

Church Development. The year witnessed the preparation and release of increasingly helpful plans for local churches in the areas of membership cultivation, local church organization and administration, worship and the devotional life, Christian fellowship and churchmanship.

Ministerial Services. Much time and energy have been devoted during 1949-50 to ministerial recruitment and to procedures looking to the more orderly placement of ministers. Disciples of Christ now have an all-time high of young men in college training for the ministry.

Town and Country Church. Throughout the year the department continued to promote the *Church Enlargement Crusade in Town and Country*, the *Ministry of the Word* and the pastoral unity plan of rural church co-operation. Several in-service training institutes were held by the department and a number of scholarships were made available to rural ministers to attend interdenominational training schools.

Urban Work. Mid-year saw the election of Lyle V. Newman to the position of national director of urban work. This is the first time our brotherhood has had full-time specialized leadership in this important area. Mr. Newman's employment was made possible over a five-year period by Crusade funds.

Mission Churches. *French Acadian.* Work in this field grows increasingly difficult as a distinct "mission" venture since as cultural and economic barriers gradually disappear a specialized ministry to the French people of Louisiana becomes impossible and unnecessary. Efforts are now being made to reorient our French-Acadian program to meet changing conditions. *Mexican.* Our Mexican mission work consists of churches in San Antonio, Robstown, Corpus Christi, McAllen and San Benito, Texas. Increasing pressure is being brought to bear on the department to organize several new Mexican congregations but to date expansion has seemed impossible due to a lack of pastoral leadership. *Japanese.* Work in the Rocky Ford area of Colorado has gone forward under the leadership of Eizo Sakamoto. Much of this ministry is church related but some is of a general social and service variety. All Peoples Church, Los Angeles, California, has continued to have a large number of Nisei in its membership. The

Essei congregation that has been worshipping in the All Peoples building for the past several years is building a church edifice of its own in a section of Los Angeles being largely settled by Japanese.

Negro Work. The department has continued to serve Negro churches on the same basis as it offers help to white congregations. In addition to its direct service it has also sought all possible cooperation with the staff of the National Christian Missionary Convention. Inadequate ministerial leadership continues to be a major problem with our Negro congregations. The year witnessed the launching of a program in co-operation with our Negro brethren in North Carolina which placed C. L. Parks in the Goldsboro Christian Institute, Goldsboro, N. C., as director.

Rochester Hospital Chaplaincy. E. E. Lister, serving as our hospital chaplain in Rochester, Minnesota, reports 3,510 hospital calls made during the year. These patients called on came from 35 states and 5 foreign countries.

Institutional Missions

All Peoples Christian Church and Community Center, Los Angeles. This community center program with the church at its heart offers a closely integrated religious and social program to many ethnic groups living in the neighborhood. The church, with a membership of 152, offered camp and conference experience to 177. Crusade goals were tripled to afford greater challenge.

The community center program continued to demonstrate brotherhood in an activity program serving 29 clubs or interest groups having 436 members, a nursery-kindergarten caring for 45 children and in playground and social hall supervised play.

To open the doors seven days a week to all people, all classes, all races; to meet felt needs and to awaken consciousness of new needs have constituted the plan and program at All Peoples.

Hazel Green Academy, Hazel Green, Kentucky. The year marked the seventieth anniversary of the junior and senior high school. There were 99 enrolled, with 51 of these living in the dormitories. Fourteen were graduated in May.

The rural work done jointly by the academy and church was extended. Miss Leona Hood, kindergarten and children's worker, assisted Rev. J. R. Nevius with services in neighboring churches, schools and homes. Students from the Academy often accompanied them and received excellent training for leadership as they participated in the services. As a result of these visits new work was established in two communities.

The hospital cared for 224 in-patients, with many more coming for examination and treatment. A new building to house the laundry and Jot-Em-Down store was made possible by a bequest. A lending library was added to the long list of other community services offered by the school.

Mexican Christian Institute, San Antonio, Texas. Seventeen thousand Latin Americans live in the area of which M. C. I. is a part. Of this number approximately 3,200 were reached by this institution that offers an effective community service. The program at M. C. I. is designed to serve all members of the family through club activities, classes, recrea-

tional and educational groups. There were 37 such groups this year where cooperation, good citizenship, community responsibility were learned along with cooking, sewing, health, reading and writing, music, art and craft work in wood, metal and leather. There were five clinics a week under supervision of doctors and nurses from the city health department of San Antonio.

More convenient and adequate facilities were provided for the kindergarten by enclosing and remodelling the large porch. The Crusade made possible this important work.

Jarvis Christian College, Hawkins, Texas. Great strides were made toward the accreditation of the College by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Two new courses were offered; the library was improved and enlarged; equipment was added to the kitchen, home economics department and science laboratories. The farm program was carefully studied and progressive changes begun. Clinical equipment was installed in the new health center, and the services of Dr. H. L. Edwards were secured for medical care of students and faculty and for teaching classes in health. Redecorating, remodelling and renovating of the buildings were done and the campus beautified. With these improvements and an enlarged faculty accreditation is assured in the near future. There were 310 students enrolled and 44 were graduated.

The extensive survey conducted by Cleo Blackburn, executive consultant of Jarvis, was continued. This study will give direction to a broader field of service whereby the college will be concerned with health, housing and vocational training and opportunities of the community as well as academic education for the students.

Southern Christian Institute, Edwards, Mississippi. The year 1950 marks the Seventy-Fifth Anniversary of S. C. I. which is our oldest mission work in the country. S. C. I. offers not only an educational program accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, but also a community-wide service to rural schools and churches and extension courses for in-service training of public school teachers.

There was an increase in the enrollment this year with 579 students in junior college, high school, extension classes and grade school. There were 43 graduated from the junior college, 56 from high school, and 11 from the elementary school.

The bookmobile, the only traveling library for Negroes in the state, supplied 3,000 books and 10,000 magazines to homes, churches and rural schools.

Yakima Indian Christian Mission, White Swan, Washington. The expanded program of service clinic and home visitation was continued with medical care offered in the homes and an average of 13 patients a week treated at the clinic. The church has grown in strength and influence with an average attendance of 60. There were 10 baptisms. A carry-all, purchased with Crusade funds, will facilitate transportation as cars from the Mission make a 100 mile trip each Sunday to bring folk to the morning services. A women's mission study group meets twice monthly. Work was begun for the Indian migrants at Celilo Falls where vacation Bible school, recreational and evangelistic programs were offered. A used-clothing store, The Trading Post, was opened.

There were 39 children enrolled at the Mission with 31 having care throughout the year.

Social Welfare

The function of the department of social welfare is to keep the churches of the brotherhood aware of the social meaning of the Christian gospel and to interpret contemporary events in the light of the Christian faith. It also seeks to assist the churches to apply Christian teaching to the events of our time. Its field of operation is largely that of international affairs, human rights and relations, economic issues, the alcohol problem, community issues, such as juvenile and adult delinquency and crime, divorce and marital problems, relief and rehabilitation, together with service to the churches through leadership training and production of study and guidance materials. It works in close relationship with the division of Home missions and the Home and State Missions Planning Council, with the division of Christian education and the curriculum committee, and with the Home Missions Council of North America, the International Council of Religious Education and the various departments of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, with staff members serving on various committees of all of these agencies.

Workshops, Seminars and Institutes. The department conducts annually a series of seminars, workshops and institutes dealing with important and critical social issues. The United Nations Seminar brings to United Nations headquarters for four days each year a group of 100 church leaders for conference and discussion with important leaders from that and related organizations. The annual Washington Workshop performs a similar service in relation to our own government. Seminars were held at Lynchburg College and at Phillips University. These seminars, held in cooperation with the sponsoring institutions, bring to the campus outstanding authorities in the various fields of international affairs for four days of conference and discussion.

Material Aid and Rehabilitation. During the year shipments of clothing, layettes, medicine, hospital supplies, etc., have been made through Church World Service. The department has cooperated in the resettlement of Displaced Persons and has rendered an increasingly important service in helping DPs to adjust themselves to mutually pleasant and harmonious relations with their sponsors and the community.

Migrant Work. The department cooperates with the Home Missions Council of North America in supporting eleven young people from our churches and colleges in summer service to the agricultural migrants. They have no fixed abode and this service through the HMC not only contributes to the development of religious life but also serves as a training ground for those who are contemplating full-time Christian service. Three young people were supported for summer work with Flanner House, Indianapolis, Indiana, one of whom gathered and classified important records of a self-help housing project, and the others, graduates in public health education, worked with the Herman G. Morgan Health Center, a Flanner House affiliate.

Conferences. At the invitation of the International Convention the department secured and recommended for appointment 30 brotherhood representatives to the second National Study Conference on the Church and Economic Life at Detroit. The department was also represented at the Church and War Conference in Detroit and at the fifth National Citizenship Conference called by the Attorney General of the United States at Washington.

State Commissions and Local Church Committees. Sixteen states have now established committees or commissions on social education and action. They are designed to aid in keeping the churches of their areas aware of critical issues which affect Christians on the state, national and international levels and to cooperate with the department in devising plans and programs of social education and action. An increasing number of local churches are organizing committees on social welfare and are also rendered this service.

Special Days Observances. The four days of special social education are Race Relations Sunday, Freedom and Democracy Sunday, Labor Sunday and World Order Sunday. For Freedom and Democracy Sunday the department prepares and distributes materials to assist in observance of the day in the general church service, the Sunday school and in youth groups. For the other occasions sample materials, prepared by the Federal Council of Churches and other agencies, are mailed to pastors and church leaders.

Materials and Publications. During the year the department has published a packet on "Our Community and Its Families"; a guidance pamphlet for sponsors of Displaced Persons, entitled, "When They Come"; Service Gift manuals for women's, youth and children's groups; a pamphlet, "A Program of Social Action—How to Get It Started, How to Keep It Going"; a pamphlet entitled, "The Struggle for the Soul of Europe," besides preparing the manuscripts for two Church Life Library pamphlets, "A Christian Is Concerned," and "The Christian and Human Rights." The department keeps in constant touch with the constituency through *Social Action News-Letter* and a column and occasional special articles in *World Call*, and other publications.

No. 6

DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Department of Religious Education—George Oliver Taylor, Executive Secretary; Joe R. Babb, Russell Harrison, Miss Mildred Jarvis, Miss Mabel Metze, J. D. Montgomery, Miss Ruth Reynolds, Charles M. Ross, Parker Rossman, National Directors; Miss Fannie M. Bennett, Departmental Associate.

Department of Missionary Education—Miss Genevieve Brown, Executive Secretary; Miss Lois Anna Ely, Miss Mareta Smoot, Miss Frances M. Hill, National Directors; Miss Bernice LeMaster, Editorial Associate.

Department of Missionary Organizations—Miss Jessie M. Trout, Executive Secretary; Miss Velva Dreesse, Miss Kathryn Schutze, Charles C. Mills, Miss Carrie Dee Hancock, Miss Edith Eberle, National Directors; Miss Alma Scott, Departmental Associate.

Children's Work. Sixty-four new persons have been named to the various state children's work committees to replace those who dropped out or to provide leadership for additional districts. The total number of such volunteer leaders was increased from 177 to 198. In at least 21 states annual planning meetings were held.

Age-Group Workers. There is a total of 16 specialized workers on the field staff, 13 in children's work, 1 in youth work, and 2 in a combination of children's and youth work. The latter 2 are new addition this year: Miss Dorothy Blackburn, Kansas; and Miss Marjorie Joyner Georgia. New children's workers are Miss Bessie Myers, Indiana, Mrs. Gary Crone, Illinois, and Miss Betty Jane Courtney, Ohio. Mrs. Gilbert Peery, Mississippi, resigned to go with her husband into a pastorate at Centralia, Mo. The Crusade has made possible the increase in the number of such workers.

Youth Work.

1. **Chi Rho Fellowship.** The past year has shown increase in the number of Sunday evening groups for intermediates, the number of camps, and the number of intermediates participating in World Fellowship Youth Meets.

2. **Christian Youth Fellowship.** The International CYF Commission, the annual planning body made up of youth delegates and their adult leaders from the various states and areas of the United States and Canada, is maturing in its ability to do a sincere and effective job of representing the youth of our churches and of making practical and challenging plans. The Commission met in August, 1949, at Champaign, Illinois, with 111 representatives from 34 convention areas. Officers serving the Commission in 1949-50 were: President, Robert A. Fudge, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Associate President, Miss Peggy Thomas, Wichita Falls, Tex.; and Secretary, Miss Beatrice Hunt, Chicago, Ill. Robert Fudge served as one of the officers of the United Christian Youth Movement during the past year and gave four months service as special CYF worker.

3. **Disciples of Christ Student Fellowship.** The first Quadrennial Conference of Disciples of Christ Student Fellowship was held December 27, 1949, to January 1, 1950, at Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa. Dele-

gates from 26 states represented 84 colleges including 18 Disciple schools. Registrations numbered 316 students, but there were more than 500 in attendance. The theme of the Conference was "The Student and His Faith." The difficult problems of faith and action were presented in the worship services, Bible study groups, discussion and fireside groups, and in the platform addresses given by Disciple leaders. Methods of evangelism, planning programs and worship, stewardship, recreation enlistment were studied in the workshops. The conference was a serious expression of student concern for their own lives, the life of their campuses and the life of the church. Its effects will be long felt in the churchmanship of today's students.

The Ecclesia of Disciples of Christ Student Fellowship held its annual meeting at the Quadrennial. The following officers were elected to serve in 1950; President, Laurence Kirkpatrick, Phillips University; Vice President, Ralph DePew, University of Tennessee; Secretary, Ted Jones, University of Chicago; Treasurer, Robert Peterson, University of Oregon; Members-at-Large, Miss Jo Anne Williams of Millikin University and Miss Marilyn Barr of Kansas University. *The DSF JOURNAL*, which carries news of activities of DSF groups and of interdenominational and international cooperation, was edited by the students, and appeared in six issues.

Parshad Awards. Again Disciple young people were very much in evidence among the winners of the Parshad awards. One of the two top awards in 1950 went to Charles E. Wilson, Jr., Oklahoma City, Okla. Miss Lois LaJean Young, Bremerton, Wash., was one of the regional winners. Each received a four-year college scholarship. Six other Disciple young people won scholarships to UCYM summer conferences.

Adult Conferences. During the summer of 1949, 28 adult conferences were held in which there was a total attendance of 2,662 persons, including 248 faculty. The number of churches represented was 541. Thirty-four conferences were scheduled for 1950 an increase of six over the previous year.

Religious Education

Children's Work. The laboratory principle is used in several ways for the effective training of children's leaders. In 1950 there were scheduled 28 laboratory schools, 19 observation-practice schools, 5 interdenominational laboratory schools, and 3 practicums a total of 55. This is an increase of 10 projects over 1949. The 3 practicums were held during the winter and spring months of 1950 at College of the Bible, Lexington, Ky., Phillips University and Northwest Christian College. A total of 120 college and seminary students was enrolled. A successful rural laboratory school was held at the Dale Hollow Larger Parish in Tennessee.

There is an increase of interest in children's camping. Several patterns are being tried varying from day camping, with the children away from home only during the day, to residence camping which provides a 24-hour experience for several days. Guidance and curriculum resources are being developed for obtaining the best values for the children's spiritual development.

A manual has been prepared for experimental use by children's work leaders in Church School Enlargement Programs showing them how they

can reach and hold the religiously untaught children in the community. The Home Evangelization Program is another effective means of reaching these children and their homes.

Youth Work.

1. **Intermediate Work.** A greatly increased number of leadership credits granted this year to leaders of intermediates indicates a growing interest and desire to improve. In a number of states the intermediate department is included in the laboratory school making possible the training of leaders by the observation-practice method. The publication in the spring of 1950 of the Chi Rho Fellowship Handbook by Russell F. Harrison provided a needed and helpful manual for adult leaders of intermediates.

2. **Senior and older young people's work.** In the summer conferences of 1949, there were 415 youth who indicated their intention to prepare themselves for one of the church vocations. Through Character Bond giving of youth at conferences, funds are provided which (1) enable state and national youth programs to move forward, (2) continue financial participation in the interdenominational United Christian Youth Movement, and (3) support special causes of relief and social service selected by the CYF Commission.

Student Work. Ten new student workers spent 16 days in July, 1950, in Missions Building in the annual training program. The Annual Student Workers Association Conference held at Camp Tipi Wakan, Spring Park, Minnesota, July, 1949, elected the following officers: President: Hayden Stewart, Seattle, Washington; Vice-President: Walte H. Moore, Enid, Oklahoma; Secretary: Jean Fleming, Norman, Oklahoma; Treasurer: Don Legg, Peoria, Illinois.

Miss Margaret Long served as special assistant to the director of student work for the past year, as assistant director of the Quadrennial DSF Conference and as field representative, visiting 56 campuses. She also helped in the preparation of materials. Bob Huber gave three months' service in the student work office in the summer of 1950.

The Parent Plan has been launched in 26 college communities and remittances are being made. Forty-seven centers are being aided by appropriations from the student work regular and crusade funds. There is a total of 166 centers in which there is a more or less active ministry to students.

Adult Work. Further progress in the use of elective units with adult classes during the year was indicated by the appearance of three new units in the Bethany Courses of Christian Living: *Strong Son of God*, by Dwight E. Stevenson; *Doctrine and Thought of the Disciples of Christ*, by Howard E. Short; and *Beginning at Jerusalem*, by Dwight E. Stevenson.

Christian Family Life. A significant event of the year in parent education was the appearance in October, 1949, of *Hearthstone*, the Magazine for the Christian Home. A monthly magazine of 52 pages, published jointly by the Disciples of Christ and the American Baptist Convention, *Hearthstone* contributes both to parent education and to cooperative Christian work. *The Secret Place*, also published jointly with the Northern Baptists, became our devotional quarterly at the time *Hearthstone* appeared. The *Hearthstone* Fellowship plan, a program to help churches in

their program of Christian family life education was further outlined by Disciple and Baptist leaders at a meeting held in October, 1949, at Green Lake, Wisconsin.

The Central Area Family Camp was held at Troy, Missouri, August 27-September 3, 1949, with 88 in attendance. This was our first regional family camp. It was scheduled again for the summer of 1950. One additional family camp was scheduled in Indiana for summer 1950. The family camp promises to be a most effective yet enjoyable means of improving family life.

Leadership Education. There is a growing interest on the part of ministers and local church leaders in improving the effectiveness of the work done in the church through improved workers. The detailed planning on the part of state and area commissions, boards, and committees of religious education has given guidance and support to this trend. Interest in in-service training is increasing. During the past year in-service leader's guides for teaching age-groups up through the intermediate department have been released and are being widely used.

Educational Administration. The National Fellowship of Disciple Directors held their fourth annual three-day conference at Columbus, Ohio, in February, 1950. There were forty-nine in attendance. Mrs. Olive Hoke, LaFayette, Indiana, was elected president, and Miss Mariah Smith, Bloomington, Indiana, was elected secretary.

During the past four years most of our field and national staff have served as guest leaders in National Christian Teaching Missions or in our own Church School Enlargement Programs. Our churches have shared in 127 of these enterprises since the new pattern was adopted. This has provided us with a sizable reservoir of trained leaders who have availed themselves of this splendid laboratory experience.

Staff Changes. Lester G. McAllister, national director of young people's work, resigned as of March 1, 1950, to become associate minister of the University Christian Church of Berkeley, California. Russell F. Harrison, who had been national director of intermediate work, was elected national director of youth with responsibility for all the department's youth program other than student work. Miss Mildred Jarvis was called to work under his direction as assistant director of youth work. John E. McCaw, national director of student work, resigned effective September 1, 1950, to become dean of Drake Bible College. Parker Rossman was called as his successor. Mrs. Evelyn Smith Wiker, departmental associate, resigned effective September 1, 1950, to devote all her time to home duties. Miss Fannie M. Bennett was elected as her successor.

The following persons were chosen to fill vacancies in the field staff during the past year: Wesley P. Ford, North California, Rival J. Hawkins, South California, M. Maurice Grove, Mississippi, Joseph Samuels, Kansas.

Interdenominational Activities. All our national staff, except the student work director, were active in the work of the International Council of Religious Education. Charles Marion Ross served the fifth year as chairman of the Committee on Church School Administration. John E. McCaw, student work director, served this past year as chairman of the executive committee of the United Student Christian Council and vice president of the Committee on Church Student Work of the National Protestant Council on Higher Education.

Missionary Education

Current Mission Study. The 1949-50 interdenominational home mission study theme, "Cooperation for a Christian Nation," was adapted in our churches to include a study of our brotherhood's home mission work among the various peoples of the United States and Canada as well as our cooperative services through interdenominational channels. This was a most significant and helpful study on all age levels, and the sale of materials reached an all-time high for a home mission study. The adult program packet went into a second printing, as did the booklet *Disciples of Christ in Cooperative Service*, used in the discussion packet.

In the foreign mission study of Japan the churches showed encouraging interest and a warm sense of fellowship with our Japanese brethren in their adjustments to post-war living and the rebuilding of the work of the churches. Materials prepared on these two themes of the year included program and discussion packets for adults, and units for seniors and older young people in the *Fellowship* quarterly, for intermediates in *PM Pack*, and for juniors in *Junior Programs*.

In the preparation of adult materials for 1950-51, some adaptations were made in connection with the launching of the Christian Women's Fellowship. The Year Book was expanded from a carrier for the mission study to include the complete program of the Fellowship. The home mission program series was adapted to include three programs on the purpose and work of the Fellowship and three on the current theme, "Town and Country Church." A hymn for the Fellowship, "Lo, This Is Fellowship," written by Lois Anna Ely, has been appreciatively received, more than 12,000 copies having been ordered in less than two months.

In addition to the regular study publications, the department issued during the year a variety of other materials for the various age groups and their leaders.

Children. The weekly "Friends Around the World" section in *Junior World*; missionary unit, "God's Children Everywhere," for the new first year primary Bethany Graded Lessons; revision of *Missionary Education of Children*.

Young People. Youth Meet materials for CYF and for Chi Rho groups, serving 181 Meets and reaching more than 15,000 young people; leaders' resource bulletins on each of the mission study themes for CYF and for Chi Rho; monthly program guidance in *World Call*; two syllabi for summer conferences; guidance for leaders of intermediate groups in laboratory schools.

Adults. Our *Fellowship in Christian Service*, a series of orientation programs on our entire brotherhood work, planned especially for new missionary groups; *And So, Forth!* the series of general adult programs which will be used primarily by the Christian Women's Fellowship; a Woman's Day packet containing *Go Ye, Therefore*, a dramatic piece by Gene Irvine, and a leaflet for speakers; Easter Week of Prayer services, *The Soul's Sincere Desire*, by Harriet Thomas, and a leaflet of personal prayer guidance of which nearly 24,000 copies were used; *Guideposts for Service*, quarterly bulletin for adult missionary leaders, issued jointly with the missionary organizations department.

General. *Disciples of Christ in Cooperative Service*, by Maxine Semones Miller, and *Disciples of Christ in Japan*, by C. M. Yocum, for adults and young people and for leaders of children; *They Went to Japan*, biographies of Japan missionaries; *Witnesses in Japan*, picture sheet of Japan missionaries; a set of Japan posters; *Toward World Christianity*, the annual missionary reading list; *What Shall We Study in Our School of Missions?* recommended courses for 1950-51; *Missionary Education Materials for All Age Groups*, listing current resources; *Memo for Ministers*, a bulletin giving information regarding missionary education materials and their use.

Other Activities. The department has participated in the planning and administrative activities of the division of Christian education and of the Society, and the staff has given service in camps, conferences, laboratory schools, institutes, and other leadership projects. Staff members serve on administrative boards and committees of the Missionary Education Movement and of the International Council of Religious Education.

Missionary Organizations

Missionary organizations is a term that includes councils, women's missionary societies, young matrons' missionary societies, business and professional women's guilds, circles, triangles, other youth groups which contribute to missions and children's missionary groups.

At the close of the missionary year, June 30, 1950, there were 7,829 organizations with a membership of 222,443 including adults, young people, and children. These groups contributed \$1,076,734.51—in regular offerings, \$813,543.38; in designated special, \$15,400.83; in Crusade \$247,790.30. This is a total gain of \$38,583.02 over last year.

Adult Organizations. Seventy-five years of organized missionary work by the women of the brotherhood were completed on June 30, 1950. Their work began in women's missionary societies. Through the years, however, local church organizations have slowly changed until on June 30, 1949, there were 2,159 missionary societies in the churches and 1,694 women's councils.

Representative women meeting in January, 1949 recommended to The United Christian Missionary Society, a re-organization of women's work in the local church. During this missionary year much time has been spent in carrying out their recommendations. A planning committee from local church and state organizations prepared a suggested constitution and by-laws, which were approved by the trustees of the society and distributed as a possible pattern for organization. An editorial committee whose members also came from local churches and state organizations wrote the manual for the proposed Christian Women's Fellowship. A primer, organizational supplies, and a resource packet have also been prepared and distributed.

Miss Jessie M. Trout, Miss Katherine Schutze and Miss Velve Dreese have assisted workers in 27 states and in Canada in presenting the Christian Women's Fellowship at state board meetings, state conventions and in area meetings for women.

Youth Work. This report ends the second of a three-year experiment in which the responsibility for the promotion of the Christian World Friendship Fund and the missionary education of youth in states is assigned to the state directors of religious education. There is one exception—Kansas—where the responsibility is carried by the state secretary of missionary organizations.

Christian World Friendship Fund totaled \$48,160.06, a gain of \$1,906.77 over last year. There were 167 World Fellowship Youth Meets with an attendance of 12,478 from 1,726 churches. Mr. Charles C. Mills has prepared an installation service for local youth groups, administrative materials for the World Fellowship Youth Meets, and a promotional bulletin, a play and the packet for Christian World Friendship Fund.

Children's Work. Children's groups participating in the Definite Object of Giving increased from 227 to 328 and the giving increased from \$3,307.99 to \$4,666.38. More Sunday Church Schools are using this method of interesting the children in missionary offerings. Miss Carrie Dee Hancock has prepared materials for the Definite Object of Giving on Japan and the Mexican Christian Institute.

Relationships. Through representation on administrative and planning boards and committees, the staffs have assisted in developing and promoting the promotional and educational program of the Society, and of the brotherhood through Unified Promotion.

Personnel. Changes in personnel are as follows: Miss Allena Graftor became state secretary of Arizona in addition to serving as Secretary for Southern California; Mrs. Ruth Slusher succeeded Mrs. W. G. Flinn in the District of Columbia; Mrs. B. H. Bruner succeeded Miss Pearl Jones in Indiana; Miss Mary E. White succeeded Mrs. Evelyn Gribble in Tennessee; Mrs. Warren F. Berry succeeded Mrs. Willis DeBoer in New York and New Jersey; Mrs. Earle H. Biddle succeeded Mrs. B. H. Bruner in West Virginia.

No. 7

World Call

George Walker Buckner, Jr., Editor and Chief-of-Staff

Miss Evelyn Honeywell, Assistant to the Editor

J. Edward Moseley, Editorial Associate (On Leave of Absence)

Miss Elizabeth Bridwell, Acting Editorial Assistant

Mrs. Evelyn R. Gribble, National World Call Secretary

Committee: The World Call Publication Committee, composed of representatives of the cooperating boards, is as follows: Virgil A. Sly, Chairman; Wm. T. Pearcey, Vice-chairman; J. Eric Carlson, Genevieve Brown, Doyle Mullen, Ralph Prather, H. L. Smith, Jessie M. Trout, Mae Yoho Ward, Willard M. Wickizer.

Staff: In the fall of 1949, Mrs. Louise Moseley, who had served as National World Call Secretary since May, 1946, resigned to go to the staff of The United Christian Missionary Society. The Publication Committee elected as her successor Mrs. Evelyn R. Gribble of Tennessee. Mrs. Gribble, who carries major responsibility for promotion of circulation, has entered upon her new duties with enthusiasm and understanding.

Circulation Information: The circulation during the past year has remained relatively stable, averaging 61,777. The total number of subscribers dropped to slightly less than 60,000 at one time but increased by the end of the year to 60,700. This was a loss of 1,652 over the year before. The new National World Call Secretary has an aggressive program of promotion under way.

Financial Status: Total receipts from subscriptions and advertising for the year ending June 30, 1950, amounted to \$99,412.99. This was a loss of \$2,740.82 over the year before. Operations continued on a sound financial basis, the year ending with a cash balance of \$16,810.06, an increase of \$8,158.28 over the year before. Word of proposed increases in production costs indicates the importance of the creation of healthy reserves.

Ten Per Cent Legion: *World Call's* annual Ten Per Cent Legion recognizes all churches which in any given year send in subscriptions (with a minimum of ten) equal to ten per cent of their total resident membership as reported in the *Year Book*. A total of 654 churches qualified for the 1949-50 Ten Per Cent Legion, with 124 having twenty per cent or more of their membership subscribing.

Comparative Circulation Schedule by States

	June, 1949	June, 1950
Alabama.....	542	541
Arizona.....	190	167
Arkansas.....	698	665
N. California.....	1752	1625
S. California.....	3681	3855
Colorado.....	1159	1222
Connecticut.....	41	31
Delaware.....	8	8
District of Columbia.....	440	509
Florida.....	872	897
Georgia.....	898	762
Hawaii.....	58	58
N. Idaho.....	95	94
S. Idaho.....	378	349
Illinois.....	3811	3686
Indiana.....	5303	4977
Iowa.....	3026	2861
Kansas.....	3059	2987
Kentucky.....	3781	3582
Louisiana.....	308	342
Maryland.....	357	361
Massachusetts.....	51	26
Michigan.....	612	610
Minnesota.....	218	208
Mississippi.....	315	366
Missouri.....	5008	4968
Montana.....	221	248
Nebraska.....	864	762
Nevada.....	44	26
New Jersey.....	41	37
New Mexico.....	246	171
New York.....	527	494
North Carolina.....	1449	1433
North Dakota.....	4	2
Ohio.....	3236	3180
Oklahoma.....	3017	2922
Oregon.....	1676	1530
Pennsylvania.....	1109	1049
Rhode Island.....	1	2
South Carolina.....	137	171
South Dakota.....	36	34
Tennessee.....	1147	1141
Texas.....	6421	6559
Utah.....	63	64
Vermont.....	14	16
Virginia.....	2125	1838
Washington.....	2000	2029
West Virginia.....	771	725
Wisconsin.....	62	48
Wyoming.....	103	98
Canada.....	322	306
Foreign.....	55	58
Total paid subscriptions	62,352	60,700

No. 8

**DIRECTORY OF THE ALL-CANADA COMMITTEE
OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST**

Chairman—Mrs. George H. Stewart, 966 Dorchester Ave., Winnipeg, Man.
Vice Chairman—T. M. Maltby, 774 St. Clair Ave. W., Toronto, Ont.
General Secretary—O. W. McCully, 332 Bloor St. W., Toronto 5, Ont.
Treasurer—C. S. Bond, 332 Bloor St. W., Toronto 5, Ont.
Office Secretary—Mrs. Ethel Pike, 332 Bloor St. W., Toronto 5, Ont.

NATIONAL WOMEN'S MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

Chairman—Mrs. H. B. Kilgour, 79 Charles St. W., Toronto, Ont.
Secretary—Mrs. O. W. McCully, 57 Tyrrel Ave., Toronto, Ont.
Treasurer—Miss Grace M. Hamblby, 513 Roselawn Ave., Toronto, Ont.
Field Worker—Mrs. H. J. Wright, 332 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Ont.

**ALL-CANADA COMMITTEE
O. W. McCully, General Secretary
(Annual Report)**

The work of the Churches of Christ in Canada during 1949-50, has moved forward under the excellent leadership of Mrs. Geo. H. Stewart, Chairman. Her visits to many Churches and area Conventions have resulted in broader vision, deeper consecration, and better understanding.

The Crusade program has brought many congregations to new achievements in various phases of the work.

The Church School enlargement program has been especially effective. Evangelistic projects have resulted in additions and renewed faith and spiritual zeal.

A new Church was opened at Northwood, Ont., to be served by the Minister of the Ridgetown congregation.

The new Church at Weymouth, N. S., is being organized and the building is under construction.

A few churches have seriously undertaken to meet their Crusade financial objectives. The congregation at Ridgetown, Ont., was the first to complete their goal.

Mrs. Ronald Hambleton has done a very fine piece of work as editor of the Canadian Disciple during the year. Some congregations are subscribing to the paper for every Church family.

Howard O. Wakelin completed his studies in the College, received the B.D. degree and accepted a call from the Church in Guelph, Ont.

The All-Canada Committee completed arrangements at the close of the year to purchase a house to be occupied by the General Secretary.

Women's Missionary work has moved forward under the leadership of the National Women's Missionary Committee—Mrs. H. B. Kilgour, Chairman, Mrs. H. J. Wright, Field Worker.

A special Conference of Canadian Ministers was held at St. Thomas, Ont., during the last week in February. A sincere effort was made to find a basis for better understanding and more inclusive fellowship.

Under the auspices of the College of Churches of Christ, a series of lectures were presented in the University of Toronto by Dr. W. E. Garrison.

Our Churches in Canada continue to share in all phases of inter-church work through the Canadian Council of Churches, the World Council of Churches and other channels.

No. 9

BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION OF DISCIPLES
OF CHRIST

Headquarters: 222 South Downey Avenue, Indianapolis 7, Indiana

Officers

Riley B. Montgomery, Chairman
O. L. Shelton, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Maude Lucas Rumpler, Treasurer
Harlie L. Smith, President
Ruth M. Lowry, Office Secretary

Executive Committee

Riley B. Montgomery
O. L. Shelton
Mrs. Maude Lucas Rumpler
Harlie L. Smith
Seth W. Slaughter
Wilbur H. Cramblet
Henry G. Harmon

The next three or four years, or perhaps longer, will be a difficult period again for private institutions. Enrollment figures in graduating classes from the secondary schools of the country are steadily declining due to the low birth rate during the depression years. The international situation is calling more and more men of college age into the service. These situations combined create difficult enrollment pictures.

Declining interest rates and increasing costs of operation pose a substantial financial problem for the colleges. They must have the combined and loyal support of churches and members to assure survival and strength in the years ahead.

Total Enrollment and Ministerial Students

	1947	1948	1949	1950
Number of Institutions	31	32	34	35
Number of Students	22,510	26,925	30,056	28,986
Ministerial Students	1,638	1,928	1,945	2,026
Graduate Ministerial	560	564	623	658
Per Cent Ministerial	7.2	6	6.5	6.7

The detailed enrollment table of the institutions affiliated with the Board appears later in this report.

Reorganization of the Board

The program of Christian higher education as carried on by institutions affiliated with the Board of Higher Education is a matter of vital concern to all Disciples of Christ if the church is to bear an effective witness for our day and our future. With this in mind, the Board has been making a study of its opportunities and responsibilities for the selection, preparation and placement of a trained and able leadership

for the Disciples. There have been evaluations of programs of its affiliated institutions in their particular service areas and a study of the relationship of these area programs to national and world-wide interests of the church. The Board has reaffirmed its purpose to be a servant of the church and to become more actively and aggressively identified with the organized life and work of the Disciples of Christ.

The study has gone forward under the direction of the Long Term Planning Committee appointed by the Board in 1948. Progress reports have been received from this committee from time to time and certain recommendations have been adopted by the Board.

The Board authorized the development of an enlarged Board of Higher Education which will eventually include four members of the executive personnel, together with adequate office staff and facilities. The organization is now headed by the president who serves as executive director and is responsible for the over-all administration of the Board. Other executive personnel will be vice-presidents who will carry responsibilities in certain areas of work.

Budgetary estimates for the program are set at \$35,000 for the first year. It is estimated that the budget will be around \$75,000 to \$80,000 a year when the staff is completed and the program is in full operation. Member institutions are assisting in the underwriting of this program for the first three years and as rapidly as possible increased personnel will be added to meet the urgent demands being made constantly upon the Board.

The Board has outlined its fields of interest and responsibility as follows: Division of Liberal Arts Colleges; Division of Seminaries; Division of Foundations and Bible Chairs; responsibility for certain phases of student work; public relations; publications; development of financial resources; ministerial training; general promotion as a part of Unified Promotion representation on brotherhood and denominational agencies and boards; recruitment; faculty placement.

The Board will undertake a national program for the promotion of this major brotherhood interest, seeking to set forth the opportunities, the needs and purposes of the affiliated institutions. This will be done through national and state programs, brotherhood journals, the press, the radio, visual aids, and other means of effective publicity. It will seek support through gifts, bequests and annuities for specific purposes and specific institutions, or for the support of the total general program of Christian higher education. Through increased financial support from the churches a satisfactory church-motivated program of Christian higher education can be maintained. Our church-related colleges must be strengthened by the active support of a college-related church.

The Treasurer's report to the Board of Higher Education at its annual meeting last April is as follows:

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING

April 1, 1949, to March 31, 1950

Cash in Bank, April 1, 1949-----\$ 474.67

Receipts

Unified Promotion -----\$11,222.31

College Dues ----- 1,040.00

BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION ANNUAL REPORT

Churches -----	168.71	
Investments -----	385.81	
Crusade -----	2,322.06	
Convention Exp. Refund -----	4,469.85	
Joint Pub. Refund -----	1,625.00	
Miscellaneous -----	231.00	21,464.74
	\$21,464.74	\$21,939.41

Expenditures

Salaries -----	\$ 8,418.80	
Pensions -----	808.40	
Rent -----	540.00	
Equipment -----		
National Protestant C. -----	300.00	
Unified Promotion -----	492.96	
Travel -----	1,058.05	
Office Expense -----	293.61	
Telephone and Telegraph -----	247.50	
Comm. Expense and Travel -----	163.46	
Books and Periodicals -----	56.39	
Policy Comm. Expense -----	172.85	
Printing -----	265.88	
Postage -----	437.57	
Nat'l Convention (Negro Work) -----	300.00	
International Convention -----	245.93	
Joint Convention Expense -----	4,632.57	
Year Book -----	162.54	
Federal Council Washington Office -----	62.50	
Annual Meeting -----	76.79	
Joint Publicity Expense -----	2,172.91	
Miscellaneous -----	244.85	
Total -----	\$20,953.55	20,953.55
		\$ 985.86

Cash in Bank, April 1, 1950 ----- \$ 985.86

AUDITOR'S REPORT

September 1, 1950

Board of Higher Education of Disciples of Christ
Indianapolis,
Indiana

I have examined the cash records of the Board of Higher Education of Disciples of Christ for fiscal year April 1, 1949 to March 31, 1950 for the purpose of verifying present year's transactions.

I have found that all receipts have been properly recorded and disbursements made have been properly authorized and charged against items in the budget. In my opinion the records have been properly kept for the period under review.

Ann Davidson

AD:rs

ENROLLMENT REPORT, 1949-1950 Institutions Affiliated With the Board of Higher Education

INSTITUTION	UNDER-GRADUATE		GRADUATE		TOTAL ENROLLMENT ¹	CHRISTIAN SERVICE STUDENTS				TOTAL	FACULTY		TOTAL
	MEN	WOMEN	MEN	WOMEN		MEN	WOMEN	GRADUATE	WOMEN		MEN	WOMEN	
Atlantic Christian College	448	488			936	33	11			44	22	12	34
Behrman College	513	252			765	45	17			62	32	12	44
Bible College of Missouri	295	112			407	29	10			32	5		5
Butler University	2,914	1,028	7	3	4,462	81	29	214	4	346	169	48	217
Chapman College	274	144	368	152	418	48	32			80	33	15	48
Christian College	331	331			331	4	2			2	12	30	42
Christian College of Georgia	11	1	1	19	13	4	1			6	1		1
College of the Bible			75	1	94	5	1			94	7	1	7
College of the Churches of Christ of Canada	6	1	1		8					7	1		1
Cotner College	46	40	2	1	89	16	7			26	3		3
Culver-Stockton College	300	177			477	6	3			9	25	11	36
Disciples Divinity House			33		33					33	35		35
Disciples House	10		22	3	35	2				15	4		4
Vanderbilt University													
Drake University	4,017	2,815	599	362	7,793	37	24	52	3	116	201	56	257
Druy School of Religion	257	150			407	32	7			39	47	16	63
Eureka College	283	94			377	27	11			38	26	3	29
Hiram College	483	211			694	22	11			33	30	12	42
Illinois Disciples FD.**						4				2	2		2
Ind. Campus Chr. FD.**													
Ind. School of Religion	52	66	4	2	124	3	1	1		2	3	2	5
Jarvis Christian College	92	136			228	6	2			8	9	8	17
Kansas Bible Chair	453	304			765	19	3			22	6		6
Lynchburg College	892	314			1,206	62	37			99	31	16	47
Midway Jr. College		125			125		3			3	4	10	14
Nebraska Christian FD.**													
Oklahoma Christian FD.**													
Purdue Christian FD.**													
Phillips University	754	444	187	61	1,446	222	189	80	9	500	45	18	63
Southern Christian Institute	150	429			579	11	7			18	13	16	29
Student Centers FD.**													
Texas Christian University	3,000	1,985	800	499	6,284	85	52	104	15	256	110	87	197
Transylvania College	361	172			533	52	44			96	29	13	42
William Woods College		347			347		12			12	17	23	40
TOTAL	15,611	10,166	2,099	1,110	28,986	851	517	582	76	2,026	922	408	1,330

*Summer session 1949 included.

**Figures not comparable.

¹Summer school not included.

²Previous year's figures used.

No. 10

PENSION FUND OF DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

Headquarters: 800 Test Building, Indianapolis 4, Indiana

Officers

Wm. H. Book, President
Oreon E. Scott, Vice-President
W. A. Shullenberger, Vice-President
Paul G. Preston, Executive Secretary
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James W. Eaton, Statistician
Hollis L. Turley, General Representative
D. Ervin Sheets, General Representative
Dr. J. T. C. McCallum, Medical Adviser
Dr. Wendell A. Shullenberger, Assistant Medical Adviser
Huggins and Company, Consulting Actuaries

Trustees

Term Expires 1950

Oreon E. Scott, Real Estate and Investments, St. Louis, Missouri
W. A. Shullenberger, Minister, Central Christian Church, Indianapolis, Indiana
Herman J. Sheedy, General Manager, McDonald & Company, Investments, Cleveland, Ohio

Term Expires 1951

Henry L. Erlwine, Manufacturer, Marion, Indiana
John L. H. Fuller, Equitable Life Assurance Society of United States, Indianapolis, Indiana
Hugh B. Kilgour, Principal, College of Churches of Christ in Canada, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Term Expires 1952

Larry D. Jones, Vice-President, Federal Intermediate Credit Bank, Louisville, Kentucky
Loy W. Ledbetter, General Purchasing Agent, Ralston Purina Co., Checkerboard Square, St. Louis, Missouri
T. K. Smith, Minister, Christian Church, Columbus, Indiana

Term Expires 1953

Wm. H. Book, Vice-President, Chamber of Commerce, Indianapolis, Indiana
F. A. Pruitt, Vice-President, Hughes Foulkrod Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Doyle Zaring, Manager of Agencies, Indianapolis Life Insurance Company, Indianapolis, Indiana

Term Expires 1954

Clarence E. Lemmon, Minister, First Christian Church, Columbia, Missouri
Ellis M. Sowell, Dean, School of Business, Texas Christian University, Ft. Worth, Texas
Allan H. Warne, Secretary-Treasurer, Indiana Bell Telephone Company, Indianapolis, Indiana

PENSION FUND OF DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

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- I. 54th Year of Ministerial Relief—organized 1895.
Ministerial Relief continued in needy and worthy cases with 123 on the roll as of December 31, 1949.
- II. 1919 Pension System—established January, 1919.
The 1919 Pension System was closed to membership June 30, 1928. Of the original 881 accounts there remained 98 active paying members as of December 31, 1949, and 347 receiving pensions.
- III. Pension Plan—began operation January, 1931.

Membership

In 1949 there were 713 churches and organizations which began paying the 8% dues, and 559 new members who began paying their individual 2½% dues. As of December 31, 1949, there were 4,170 active members and 970 beneficiaries, a total of 5,140 covered by the Pension Plan. The member accounts were supported by 4,683 churches, college and organization accounts.

Claims

During the year 1949 there were 23 deaths among active members, 13 new cases of total permanent disability, and 46 age retirements. Among total disability cases there were 4 deaths. In the age retirement group there were 19 deaths. Deaths among the active members and beneficiaries left 9 minor children and 33 widows as beneficiaries.

Table of Pension Plan Pensioners

	Retirement	Disability	Widow	Child	Total
In force Dec. 31, 1948	379	57	433	46	915
Granted in 1949	46	13	33	9	101
Total	425	70	466	55	1,016
Terminated in 1949	22	9	12	3	46
In force Dec. 31, 1949	403	61	454	52	970

Total beneficiaries in all pensions and Ministerial Relief 1,440, including dependents 2,109 as of December 31, 1949.

FINANCIAL

Receipts

1919 Pension System Dues -----	\$ 2,600.42
Net on Securities sold -----	2,019.79
Annuity Gifts -----	11,800.00
Additional Benefits Deposits by Members -----	140,233.57
Gifts (Unified Promotion, estates and designated gifts) ----	321,427.62
Investment Income -----	468,956.46
Pension Plan Dues (members, churches and organizations) ----	1,215,986.37
	<u>\$2,163,024.23</u>

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Disbursements	
Pension Plan Beneficiaries -----	\$ 306,545.81
Additional Benefits Payments -----	75,084.08
1919 Pension System Beneficiaries -----	74,142.11
Ministerial Relief Beneficiaries -----	15,609.63
Annuity Payments -----	30,086.76
Adjustments and Charge Offs -----	7,193.42
Operating and Promotional Expense -----	139,144.51
To Reserves for Future Pensions -----	1,515,217.91
	\$2,163,024.23

FINANCIAL CONDITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1949

Assets		Fund Balances
Cash	\$ 196,613.48	Additional Benefits \$ 811,669.78
Government Bonds	722,500.00	Fund
Mortgage Loans	9,436,426.99	Permanent Fund 189,370.50
Bonds (Donated)	11,000.00	1919 Pension Fund 832,000.09
Preferred Stock	6,480.00	Pension Plan Fund 8,097,086.02
(Donated)		Annuity Fund 340,128.89
Common Stock	134,401.00	Contingency Fund 224,435.25
(Donated)		General Fund 71,546.17
Real Estate	5,003.00	
(Donated)		
Notes Receivable	40,564.60	
Office Equipment	13,247.63	
	\$10,566,236.70	\$10,566,236.70

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

February 16, 1950

Board of Trustees,
Pension Fund of Disciples of Christ,
Indianapolis, Indiana

Gentlemen:

We have examined the statement of financial condition of the Pension Fund of Disciples of Christ at December 31, 1949. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

Our examination did not include a review of the actuarial basis of the Pension Plan, upon which an independent report is made by the Pension Fund's consulting actuaries.

In our opinion, the accompanying statement of financial condition presents fairly the position of the Pension Fund of Disciples of Christ at December 31, 1949, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Yours very truly,

Geo. S. Olive & Co.
Certified Public Accountants

No. 11

BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION OF
DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

HEADQUARTERS: MISSIONS BLDG., INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Officers

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Rolland H. Sheafor, Treasurer
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Trustees

<i>Oreon E. Scott</i>	<i>Earl S. Farmer</i>	<i>Lloyd V. Channels</i>
<i>A. C. Brooks</i>	<i>H. C. Gemmer</i>	<i>Ephraim D. Lowe</i>
<i>C. O. McAfee</i>	<i>Jesse E. Martin</i>	<i>R. Melvyn Thompson</i>

Members

	TERM EXPIRES
<i>William S. Hamilton, Pawhuska, Oklahoma-----</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1950</i>
<i>John C. Updegraff, Newark, Ohio-----</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1950</i>
<i>Earl S. Farmer, Indianapolis, Indiana-----</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1950</i>
<i>H. C. Gemmer, Indianapolis, Indiana-----</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1950</i>
<i>James A. Stuart, Indianapolis, Indiana-----</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1950</i>
<i>S. Grundy Fisher, Ontario, California-----</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1951</i>
<i>Jesse E. Martin, Indianapolis, Indiana-----</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1951</i>
<i>Ephraim D. Lowe, Indianapolis, Indiana-----</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1951</i>
<i>Raphael H. Miller, Unionville, Ohio-----</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1951</i>
<i>Oreon E. Scott, St. Louis, Missouri-----</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1951</i>
<i>Lloyd V. Channels, Flint, Michigan-----</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1952</i>
<i>A. C. Brooks, Indianapolis, Indiana-----</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1952</i>
<i>C. O. McAfee, Macon, Georgia-----</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1952</i>
<i>R. Melvyn Thompson, New Castle, Indiana-----</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1952</i>
<i>Robert Merricks, Charleston, West Virginia-----</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1952</i>

BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION ANNUAL REPORT

ANNUAL REPORT

For the year 1949

The report herewith submitted is the 65th annual report of the work of Church Extension for the Disciples of Christ.

CASH RECEIPTS

From Promotional Sources:

Offerings from churches -----	\$11,544.21
(includes Unif. Prom. share—\$40,163.82)	
Offerings from Individuals -----	126.67
Annuity Gifts -----	14,636.34
Bequests -----	947.98
Named Fund Gifts -----	7,900.00
Memorial Funds -----	63,227.15
Crusade Grant Fund -----	68,625.38
	\$ 197,007.73
From other sources -----	12,442.02

Total new receipts -----	\$ 209,449.75
Interest collected on loans and contracts -----	159,833.72
Principal collected on loans and contracts -----	885,588.06
Trust Fund deposits -----	736,822.59
Sale of U. S. Govt. Bonds -----	345,740.79
Interest U. S. Govt. Bonds -----	3,558.35
Notes Receivable -----	15,208.55
Other Income -----	422.19
Jan. 1, 1949—Balance in Banks -----	48,130.03
	\$2,404,754.03

DISBURSEMENTS

Annuity Payments -----	\$ 48,672.94
Expense Paid -----	81,138.25
Funds invested in new loans -----	1,907,102.82
Trust Funds returned -----	179,896.65
Interest paid on Trust Funds -----	1,632.13
Notes Receivable -----	4,000.00
Office Equipment and Remodeling -----	5,241.49
Miscellaneous -----	650.00
Dec. 31, 1949—Cash in banks -----	176,419.75
	\$2,404,754.03

ASSETS—DECEMBER 31, 1949

Cash -----	\$ 176,419.75
Loans in Process of Closing -----	25,000.00
First Mortgage Loans—4% -----	4,262,188.66
Construction Loans -----	365,881.08
Grant Loans -----	85,050.00
Real Estate Contracts -----	15,098.66
Notes Receivable -----	3,791.45
Miscellaneous -----	16,935.20
Accrued Interest -----	15,899.98
	\$4,966,264.78

BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION ANNUAL REPORT

LIABILITIES

Trusts Funds	\$1,151,049.45
Annuity Reserve Fund	484,904.47
Total Liabilities	\$1,635,953.92
Net Assets	3,330,310.86
	\$4,966,264.78

Condensed Statement of Church Extension From Beginning to December 31, 1949

Amount in funds, Oct. 1, 1884	\$ 5,000.00
Net amount in funds Dec. 31, 1949	3,330,310.86
Amount returned on loans since beginning	13,306,967.18
Amount returned in interest since beginning	3,520,511.67
Total amount received on principal and interest	16,827,478.85
Number of loans made to churches	3,888
Number of loans settled in full	3,363
Number of loans outstanding	525
Total amount of money loaned since beginning	\$17,615,827.59

Indianapolis, Indiana
January 25, 1950

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

To the Board of Church Extension
of Disciples of Christ,
Missions Building,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

We have examined the accounting records of the Board of Church Extension of Disciples of Christ, Indianapolis, Indiana, pertaining to its financial position at December 31, 1949, and to its operating results for the year then ended. We have reviewed the accounting procedures of the corporation and have examined or tested accounting records and other supporting evidence to the extent we deemed appropriate.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet, statement of income and expense—general fund, and statement of fund accounts, subject to the notes relative thereto, present fairly the financial position of the Board of Church Extension of the Disciples of Christ at December 31, 1949, and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

Respectfully submitted,
Carter, Kirlin and Merrill
C. P. A.

Loans Closed: During 1949, 188 churches received loans totaling \$2,073,122.86. Fifty-five of these were, all or in part, for parsonages.

Loans Promised But Not Closed: On December 31, 1949, there were 120 loans promised but not closed totaling \$1,587,300.00. Since that date many of these loans have been closed.

Loans Paid: During 1949, the balances of 42 loans were paid in cash.

Grant Loans: During 1949 there were 16 grant loans closed and 16 promised but not yet closed. These were distributed among 24 states.

Bureau of Architecture: During 1949, the Bureau served 388 churches. These churches were served by preliminary sketches, review of architect's drawings, color schemes, conferences, etc.

No. 12

THE NATIONAL BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF
THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

1602 Landreth Building, St. Louis 2, Missouri

SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Executive Committee

Asa F. Seay, President Emeritus, St. Louis, Mo.
C. D. Pantle, President, St. Louis, Mo.
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The National Benevolent Association of the Christian Church is pleased to present herewith its Sixty-Third Annual Report. The Service Report covers the year beginning July 1, 1949, and closing June 30, 1950. The Financial Report covers the calendar year 1949.

The expanding service of the National Benevolent Association is reflected in the increased number of needy persons who found a haven of security in the several Homes during the year. The total is 1,387 as compared to 1,317 in the last report. Of this number, 1,016 were children and 318 were aged men and women and 49 were mothers who received the assistance needed in a time of crisis and until they were able to readjust their lives to changed circumstances.

We are most happy to be able to serve a larger number of children, nevertheless we are humbled because of the large number who were referred to other agencies because we were unable to meet their needs, even though they were most worthy of a place in one of our Homes. In spite of the enlarged facilities which have been provided during the last two years, there are more names of approved applicants on the waiting lists of the Homes for the Aged than in any recent year, the total being 130. Of this number hopefully awaiting the day of entrance, we fear many will never live to join the family in one of our Homes.

Since the last Annual Report of the National Benevolent Association, the new building addition to the Emily E. Flinn Home has been dedicated and is completely filled, yet there remains a waiting list of about 50.

The Florida Christian Home has completed an addition to the main building which increases the capacity by twelve. A new building, called the Bedside Care Unit, has been completed and dedicated. This added facility will make possible better care for members of the family who become ill.

The Ramsey Memorial Home for aged pensioners and those who receive state aid began operation during the year. This Home will accommodate about forty aged men and women.

The Carrie Hedrick Seay Memorial Home for Children at Somerset, Pennsylvania, was opened on April 1 and dedicated on June 8. It is now serving twenty children. The Western Pennsylvania setting of this Home is ideal and we are confident it will become one of the very finest Homes of its kind in that great state.

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Because of the experience of others, the National Benevolent Association has become increasingly aware of the danger of fire and, therefore, has installed or is installing sprinkler systems in five of its Homes.

For many years the Illinois Christian Home has needed major repairs and alterations which could not be undertaken during the depression years because of lack of funds and more recently because of the scarcity of materials. An extensive program of remodeling is under way at this time which, when completed, will add greatly to the comfort, convenience and safety of the family.

After many years of persistent, enthusiastic and faithful effort on the part of Miss Sue Steiner Hook, for twenty-five years Superintendent of the Southern Christian Home for Children in Atlanta, Georgia, now retired, work has begun on the Boys' Building. This building will be named the Sue Steiner Hook Building honoring the person who, more than anyone else, is responsible for it. The giving of our Georgia churches during the second year of the Crusade has made possible the earlier completion of the project which is expected to be completed and ready for occupancy by October, 1950.

Since the last report the Lenoir Memorial Home near Columbia, Missouri, has been opened and is receiving aged guests who are able to pay for their care.

Several of the Homes have well-laid plans for further increasing their facilities in order to meet the increasing calls for service.

Total receipts for maintenance from churches and interested individuals was \$665,931.52. The Christmas Offering for 1949 totaled \$361,091.72. The importance of the Christmas Offering is reflected in these figures, amounting to more than one-half of the total received for maintenance during the year. Most earnestly we urge every congregation in our Brotherhood to observe Christmas Sunday for Benevolence as carried on by the National Benevolent Association. Gifts by bequest totaled \$351,997.37 and gifts by annuities totaled \$49,275.00. Once again the East Dallas Christian Church made the largest offering for Benevolence of any church in the Brotherhood, the total being \$11,263.98.

In the families of the several Homes for the Aged there is represented in terms of church membership 15,000 years, or an average of about 48 years. Many of these aged men and women during their active years were real leaders in the congregations to which they belonged. One hundred forty are past 80 years of age, 28 are past 90 and one is past 100. Fifteen are blind, 14 are wheel chair cases and 15 are bedridden. There are 12 ministers and 13 ministers' widows in the Homes for the NBA.

J. Eric Carlson
General Secretary

THE NATIONAL BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH OPERATING FUNDS CALENDAR YEAR 1949

RECEIPTS

Receipts from Churches	\$133,067.53
Interest and Dividends	57,393.30
Income on Endowment and Building and Improvement Funds	
transferred to Homes Maintenance Funds	34,615.49
Income on Trust Funds and Annuity Bonds	596.48
Income M. J. Chiles Fund	2,368.69

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Released Annuities	2,346.50
Released Trust Funds	8,666.26
Transfer from N.B.A. Endowment for Office Account	
to General Funds Undesignated	3,777.80
Reduction in Reserve on Annuity Bonds	26,676.92
Bequests	115,579.36
Gift to General Fund	1,000.00
U. S. of America Savings Bonds, Series "G",	
Juliette Fowler Homes	25,000.00
Profit Sale of Securities	34,255.73
Miscellaneous	3,074.92
Total Receipts	448,419.04

DISBURSEMENTS

Office Expense and Equipment	19,583.06
Printing and Stationery	3,500.45
Salaries and Wages	59,109.55
Pensions	2,676.80
Pension Dues	8,420.46
Travel Expense	2,112.56
Publicity	33,577.96
Interest on Trust Funds	6,739.61
Annuity Payments	35,288.18
Insurance and Taxes	6,290.97
International Convention and Staff Conference	1,319.21
Year Book	1,341.28
Boatmen's National Bank—Service as Managing Agent	1,412.37
Inheritance Tax and Attorney Fees	2,358.11
Major Improvements—St. Louis Christian Home	15,894.09
Maintenance Funds Transferred to Building and	
Improvement Funds	30,000.00
Miscellaneous	5,204.77
Payments to Homes	71,588.25
Total Disbursements	306,478.01

THE NATIONAL BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH ANNUAL REPORT OF HOMES CALENDAR YEAR—1919

RECEIPTS

Receipts from Churches	\$520,017.93
Community Funds and Lodges	19,242.54
Interest and Sales	3,862.76
Pensions, Board, and Admission Fees	15,577.34
Care of Children and Aged	40,946.44
Miscellaneous	22,467.31
Gifts for Furniture—New Buildings	2,012.45
Income from Investments—Child Saving Institute	15,783.92
Collections on Securities—Child Saving Institute	22,726.35
Checks sent Homes by National Benevolent Association	101,111.21
Total Receipts	\$763,748.25

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries and Wages	\$301,058.25
Food	103,662.01
Fuel, Light and Water	42,666.96
Laundry	10,239.41
Household Supplies	24,017.46
Clothes and Shoes	7,508.50
Health Supplies and Fees	12,199.09
Books, Stationery and Office Supplies	7,378.96
Alterations and Repairs	27,700.15
Stock and Farm	4,174.06
Insurance and Taxes	8,110.96
Communication and Transportation	19,906.04
Publicity	40,422.77

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Mortuary	3,938.45
Miscellaneous	22,783.69
Major Improvements	23,786.90
Furnishings—New Buildings	8,707.20
Securities Purchased—Child Saving Institute	45,793.07
Juliette Fowler Homes—Purchase of U. S. of America Savings Bonds, Series "G"	25,000.00
Maintenance Funds Transferred to National Benevolent Association for Credit to Respective Home's Building and Improvement Funds	30,000.00
Total Disbursements	\$769,110.93

THE NATIONAL BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH SPECIAL FUNDS CALENDAR YEAR—1919

RECEIPTS

Annuities	\$ 40,275.00
Bequests	230,418.01
Trust Funds	62,055.70
Income on Endowment & Building & Improvement Funds	14,773.96
Crusade	143,278.59
Cleveland Christian Home—Baby Expansion Fund	971.83
Colorado Christian Home—New Building Fund	1,199.79
Emily E. Flinn—New Building Fund	4,080.48
Emily E. Flinn Home—Furnishing Fund	3,647.11
Florida Christian Home—Rehabilitation Fund	4,817.45
Juliette Fowler Homes—New Building Fund	5,889.16
Juliette Fowler Homes—Furnishing Fund	3,235.01
Juliette Fowler Homes—Baby Building Fund	66,865.46
Carrie H. Seay Memorial Home	15,061.37
Carrie H. Seay Memorial Home—Furnishing Fund	550.00
Ramsey Memorial Home	1,633.77
Southern Christian Home—Boys Cottage Fund	10,732.02
Southern Christian Home—Recreation Room	4,500.00
Juliette Fowler Homes—Memorial Funds	1,409.10
Children's Homes Educational Funds	898.78
Cleveland Christian Home—Gift	5,227.50
Gifts to Homes Endowment Funds	4,892.50
Released Trust Fund to Building and Improvement	4,925.64
Released Annuity Bonds to Endowment Funds	14,146.50
Homes Maintenance Funds Transferred to Building and Improvement	60,000.00
Miscellaneous	1,790.58
Total Receipts	\$722,606.23

DISBURSEMENTS

Insurance	\$ 3,160.62
Taxes	1,760.63
Interest on Trust Funds	2,637.46
Crusade	3,572.69
Major Improvements	6,833.50
Colorado Christian Home—a/c New Building	28,973.89
Colorado Christian Home—a/c Furnishings	2,656.44
Property Purchased for Colorado Christian Home	15,500.00
Emily E. Flinn Home—a/c New Building	135,673.26
Emily E. Flinn Home—a/c Furnishings	10,555.52
Florida Christian Home—a/c Bedside Unit & Alterations	22,834.60
Juliette Fowler Homes—a/c New Building	21,572.80
Juliette Fowler Homes—a/c Furnishings	12,248.31
Ramsey Memorial Home—Purchase Property	42,500.00
Ramsey Memorial Home—a/c Remodeling	55,207.31
Ramsey Memorial Home—a/c Furnishings	6,081.00
St. Louis Christian Home—a/c Nursery	6,674.44
Carrie Hedrick Seay Memorial Home—Purchase Property	44,000.00
Carrie Hedrick Seay Memorial Home—a/c Remodeling	21,810.21
Carrie Hedrick Seay Memorial Home—a/c Furnishings	6,373.52
Released Trust Funds	14,161.00

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Released Annuities	15,524.00
Reduction in Reserve on Annuities	26,676.92
Transferred from Office Endowment to General Funds Undesignated	3,777.80
Miscellaneous	7,378.04
Payments to Homes	30,077.47
Total Disbursements	<u>\$548,222.33</u>

THE NATIONAL BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Balance Sheet, December 31, 1949

ASSETS

Cash in banks	\$ 427,881.40
Investments (at cost)	3,268,401.98
Travel advances and deferred expenses	45,791.18
Advances for construction and furnishings costs	364,799.57
Total	<u>\$1,106,874.13</u>
Land, buildings and equipment	
Home properties at original appraisal value plus subsequent additions at cost (not including construction in progress) less depreciation	<u>\$1,730,594.13</u>

LIABILITIES

General fund balances	\$3,267,404.16
Trust fund balances	384,292.43
Special—R. H. Stockton fund balances	455,177.54
Total	<u>\$4,106,874.13</u>
Permanent fund balances	<u>\$1,730,594.13</u>

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

To the Board of Trustees of
The National Benevolent Association of
The Christian Church:

We have examined the balance-sheet of The National Benevolent Association of the Christian Church at December 31, 1949, our examination consisting of verification of cash on deposit in banks, count and inspection of securities, comparison of records of receipts with deposits shown by banks, and verification of disbursements of cash as evidenced by paid checks examined for the twelve months of the year 1949. Investments are carried at cost price.

Buildings, leasehold equipment and endowment funds of Child Saving Institute are not included as assets in the above balance sheet, nor is the cash in the custody of the treasurers of the various homes included thereon.

The above balance-sheet is a summary of the statement of assets and fund balances as reflected in our report of examination and in our opinion, subject to comments in the preceding paragraphs, presents fairly the position of the Association at December 31, 1949.

Mare and Company
Certified Public Accountants

August 28, 1950
St. Louis, Mo.

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Forty years ago in his president's address at the convention at Topeka, Kansas, Peter Ainslie issued to his fellow Disciples a call for renewed devotion to their plea for Christian unity. An immediate result was the organizing of the Association for the Promotion of Christian Unity whose purpose was to be:

"To watch for every indication of Christian unity, and to hasten the time by intercessory prayer, the holding of friendly conferences, and the publication and distribution of Christian unity literature, and to advocate the practice of love and fellowship among Christians."

The nature of the new Association's message was in large measure set by its founder in his address at Topeka as he made such affirmations as these:

"The rightful contribution of the Disciples to modern religion is the widening of faith's view, for the best asset in this world is faith in Jesus Christ and love for all who love our Lord.

*Life Commissioner.

"Holding with deep conviction to personal faith in Jesus Christ and obedience to his commandments, we must hold with equally deep conviction to fellowship with all believers, else we drop to the level of a sect."

Today's Purpose: While the scene has changed, the Association's purpose remains. Its task is the cultivation of Christian unity through literature, through conference among Disciples and in the larger fellowship, and through participation in the growing ecumenical movement.

Conferences: Regional conferences in Christian unity have been held in two centers. The president gave a series of lectures and conducted a unity conference at Eugene, Oregon. At a similar conference at Des Moines, Iowa, the lectures were brought by Professor Walter M. Horton and the executive secretary. A total of 8,000 people have attended the 15 Crusade conferences on Christian unity held in various parts of the country. The Christian unity emphasis has also been brought through the Association to other centers in conventions and conferences.

Ainslie Lecture: The Peter Ainslie Memorial Lecture on Christian unity at Rhodes University, Grahamstown, South Africa, continues and is made possible by the Association. The 1949 lecture by the Archbishop of Capetown is in print. The 1950 lecturer is Dr. S. M. Berry, British Congregational leader. This is the first lectureship on Christian unity established in South Africa.

Ecumenical Conference and Study: The Association has helped make possible participation of Disciples in three important meetings of the theological commissions of the World Council's Commission on Faith and Order. Dr. W. E. Garrison attended the meeting of the Commission of the Church at Cambridge, England. Dr. Perry Gresham was in Thun, Switzerland, for the meeting of the Commission on Ways of Worship. Dr. A. T. DeGroot participated in the meeting of the Commission on Intercommunion in Bievres near Paris, France.

Support: The Association has helped make possible Disciple attendance at meetings of the Baptist-Disciple Commission, the meetings of the Conference on Church Union inaugurated at Greenwich, Conn., in December, 1949, the meetings of the executive committee of the Federal Council of Churches and of the Central Committee of the World Council.

Council Relations: The Association regards as a major responsibility the assignment given it by the International Convention for encouraging congregational support of the World Council of Churches and of the Federal Council of Churches. The passing of the latter body into the new and inclusive National Council of Churches of Christ in America calls for careful interpretation in order that the congregations may maintain and enlarge the support given for the work carried over into the new organization. Last year Disciples gave \$17,481.43 to the Federal Council and \$15,237.50 to the World Council.

Long Range Program: The program of the Association for the future includes greater emphasis in the following fields: area leadership by commissioners; establishing a unity lectureship which will rotate among our seminaries; holding lectureships and conferences in connection with conventions and ministers' meetings, and the production of unity literature, especially for use in the local church.

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Amsterdam Response: The Association asked Dr. W. E. Garrison to assume leadership in drafting a "Response" to Section I of the Amsterdam report. Disciple delegates to Amsterdam, our seminary deans and the Association's executive committee have studied and signed the statement as a "typical" but "unofficial" Disciple comment on the theological section of the Amsterdam report. The "Response" is available on request and will be used in conferences.

George Walker Buckner, Jr., Executive Secretary.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

July 1, 1949, to June 30, 1950

RECEIPTS

Balance in Treasury, July 1, 1949	\$ 4,629.32
Receipts, July 1, 1949-June 30, 1950	2,893.81
Total	\$7,523.13

DISBURSEMENTS

Unified Promotion Expense	\$ 116.50
Joint Relations (Year Book, Convention Program, etc.)	107.51
Office Expense	378.00
Publicity and Printing	111.47
Expense Disciple members to Federal and World Councils' Executive Meetings	240.22
Conventions and Conferences	1,226.43
Federal Council of Churches	362.50
World Council of Churches	81.84
Miscellaneous and Contingent	60.14
Total	\$2,090.70
Balance, July 1, 1950	\$4,832.43

CRUSADE RECEIPTS

Balance in Treasury, July 1, 1949	\$ 268.22
Receipts, July 1, 1949-June 30, 1950	3,310.41
Total	\$3,578.63

CRUSADE EXPENDITURES

Baptist-Disciple Commission	\$ 500.52
Plenary Conference	395.52
Ainslie Lecture	325.00
Miscellaneous Conferences	386.04
Total	\$1,607.08
Balance Crusade Funds, July 1, 1950	\$1,971.55
Total Balance on hand, July 1, 1950	\$6,503.08

Harlie L. Smith, Treasurer

CERTIFICATE OF AUDITOR

I have audited the books of the Association for the Promotion of Christian Unity for the year ending June 30, 1950, and find that the annual statement of income and expense is correct.

I find further that all payments by the Association have been properly authorized and charged against specific items in the budget.

Respectfully submitted,
William T. Pearcy, Indianapolis, Ind.

September 13, 1950

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ANNUAL REPORT NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE SECRETARIES

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STATE OR PROVINCE	PERSONNEL			DAYS' SERVICE	NET RECEIPTS		ADDITIONS BY STAFF MEMBERS										LITERATURE (DISTRIBUTED (INCLUDES STATE PAPER)		
	EVANGELISTS	SECRETARIES	OFFICE HELPERS		MISSION PASTORS	FIELD	OFFICE	(WITHOUT MONEY ADDED TO PERMA- NENT FUND)	AMOUNT ADDED TO PERMANENT FUND	NET NUMBER OF CHURCHES SERVED	BAPTISM	OTHERWISE	SERMONS AND ADDRESSES	CONVENTIONS, CONFERENCES, INSTITUTES, ETC.	FINANCIAL CAMPAIGNS	CHURCHES AIDED IN SECURING PASTORS		NEW CHURCHES ORGANIZED	MILES TRAVELED BY STAFF MEMBERS
Alabama	0	1	0	1	59	21	\$ 60.00	0	9	6	5	14	4	0	3	0	6,501	340	90
Arizona	2	1	1	3	291	156	21,890.06	0	125	58	35	189	36	1	27	0	43,355	12,008	38,350
Arkansas		3	1	8			42,159.28	0	68			185	40	1	20	2	65,000		25,000
California, North																			
California, South	1	5	4	6	800	1,200	79,057.42		155			285	41	0	29	2	9,000		50,000
Capital Area	0	1	0	2	113	200	11,280.11	0	53	2	0	82	30	0	6	0	20,000	7,800	?
Colorado	0	1	2	5	73	97	14,152.55	\$296.89	40			65	44	—	9	—	16,216	3,980	8,818
Florida	0	1	1	3	186	179	18,000.00	—	50	39	21	75	35	3	10	2	70,000	2,500	25,000
Georgia	1	1	1	3	195	155	18,642.75	—	103	15	22	88	26	—	7	1	22,180	3,927	16,000
Illinois	1	1	2	8	602	884	38,704.46	100.00	623	63	49	211	91	0	72	0	39,607	8,427	100,000
Indiana	3	3	2	2	132	133	1,565.21	—	200	78	83	625	43		200	0	30,000		50,000
Iowa	0	2	2	6-3 student workers	278	452	37,026.66	3,765.68	163	49	15	171	36	6	41	1	42,000	?	?
Kansas	1	4	1	8	1,076	619	73,358.66	—	287	340	275	1,175	130	6	43	1	100,000	4,196	190,000
Kentucky	2	4	3	10	1,104	615	39,350.31	0	1,157	71	72	692	148	0	13	0	72,563	9,060	56,580

Louisiana	0	2	0	2	105	194	8,085.22	0	25	0	2	18	70	0	8	1	16,737	1,188	9,925
Michigan																			
Minnesota	1	1	1	1	203	142	8,364.59	0	29	0	0	36	29	2	4	1	13,912	1,346	10,366
Mississippi	1	1	1	3	945	508	52,748.88	0	52	67	115	21	0	3	0		31,000	1,650	26,400
Missouri	1	1	0	0	122	149	7,500.00	0	565	21	13	93	19	0	26	1	78,521	6,500	37,915
Montana	0	1	1	5	750	400	18,648.25	0	21	20	13	108	96	0	4	1	22,000	900	8,800
Nebraska	1	1	1	1	57	180	1,856.00	200.00	85	95	20	160	20	5	12	0	35,000	3,100	5,000
New England	0	1	0	2	59	21	1,000.00	0	19	—	—	9	28	—	2	—	5,210	78	458
New Mexico	0	1	0	2	185	180	12,911.42	9,000.00	9	0	2	16	5	0	1	0	6,582	171	99
New York and New Jersey	0	1	1	5	185	180	12,911.42	9,000.00	53	4	3	59	125	1	3	—	26,640	918	3,114
North Carolina	1	1	1	8	500	595	18,662.99	0	185	75	110	842	160	10	40	3	43,800	9,100	27,850
Ohio	1	2	2 1/2	12	350	300	41,000.00	—	205	—	—	420	45	—	80	—	50,000	10,000	73,000
Oklahoma	3	2	2	21	1,075	870	55,000.00	0	276	467	708	664	52	8	82	4	63,000	14,500	275,000
Oregon	3	1	1	5	239	126	10,404.55	557.20	41	63	82	99	56	0	4	3	39,594	4,215	67,100
Pennsylvania	0	1	1	5	300	65	19,391.00	422.61	161	—	—	200	14	—	15	1	34,000	3,500	24,400
South Carolina	1	1	1	6	60	60	0	0	17	22	16	66	11	4	8	0	5,500	300	3,500
South Dakota																			
Tennessee	1	1	1	2	220	115	14,317.75	0	21	17	3	56	20	1	2	1	40,375	1,428	35,000
Texas	0	1	1	0	220	115	26,609.58	0	80	28	35	192	15	2	21	2	51,000	7,000	35,000
Utah	3	1	2	27			56,521.97	0	2	2,100	3,150		19	9	80	7			
Virginia	1	1	1	1			409.48												
Washington, North Idaho, and British Columbia	1	1	1	7	265	100	24,478.65	2,500.00	16	49	107	225	45	2	14	1	65,000	6,000	50,000
West Virginia	1	1	1	2	385	215	36,323.41	128.00	98	638		154	44	0	7	1	46,400	3,837	70,000
Wisconsin	0	1	1	7	190	140	27,988.13	0	112	6	2	95	40	1	11	0	30,000	4,500	25,000
Wyoming	0	1	1	33	97	97	608.64	0	5			10	10		2		3,032	950	1,334
Canada	0	1	2	8	120	220	0	0	70	0	0	140	40	0	6	1	35,000	0	0
Totals	29	55	41 1/2	197	1,072	9,388	\$817,178.48	\$16,970.38	5,183	4,372	4,945	7,540	1,667	65	915	36	1,278,725	133,447	1,314,099

No. 15

**THE NATIONAL EVANGELISTIC ASSOCIATION OF
THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST**

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

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ANNUAL REPORT

The National Evangelistic Association continues to strive to deepen the emphasis of evangelism among the Disciples of Christ. The authority for our existence is Christ's command—"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel." Membership is open to all Christians who desire to join and give encouragement to its purpose. Our membership dues are \$1.00 annually.

Our plan of work comes under four headings.

I. A MEETING IN EVERY CHURCH.

Since we believe that a revival will do for a church what nothing else can, our program seeks to encourage every church to use this method among others in reaching the unreached and building a deeper spiritual faith in the membership.

II. EVERY MEMBER AN EVANGELIST.

Since the Great Commission was given to the disciples we feel the Disciples of Christ 2,000 years later should continue to carry on the work of those first emissaries of our Lord. Personal evangelism is the responsibility and privilege of every Christian.

**III. TO INSTILL THE SPIRIT OF EVANGELISM IN ALL STATE,
NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS.**

Evangelism should be the normal state of the church. Therefore the note of evangelism should be sounded in all our gatherings, whether local, state, national or international.

NATIONAL EVANGELISTIC ASSOCIATION

IV. TO PROMOTE THE "SPIRIT OF UNITY IN THE BOND OF PEACE."

The Disciples of Christ have preached unity much, but practiced it little. It is a known fact that when a church is busy at its task, there is neither time nor desire for dispute or disunity. Let us set ourselves to the task of evangelism and the singleness of our task will give us unity of mind and spirit.

Respectfully submitted,
National Evangelistic Association,
Raymond L. Alber, President.

July, 1950.

**NATIONAL EVANGELISTIC ASSOCIATION
FINANCIAL REPORT**

Balance in Treasury, July 1, 1949-----\$ 643.56

Receipts

Membership Fees and Annual Convention Offering--	\$252.80
Banquet Ticket Sales-----	225.00
Printing Refund-----	13.00
	490.80
Total Receipts, June 30, 1950-----	\$1,134.36

Disbursements

Building Rental -----	\$ 10.00
Banquet -----	231.75
Printing -----	137.00
Addressing and Postage-----	37.48
Entry in International Convention Program Book----	47.97
Entry in Year Book of Disciples of Christ-----	25.68
Promotion of 1950 Convention-----	250.00
	739.88
Total Disbursements, June 30, 1950-----	739.88
Balance, June 30, 1950-----	\$ 394.48

Herbert J. Wilson, Treasurer.

CERTIFICATE OF AUDITOR

August 8, 1950

I have audited the books of the National Evangelistic Association for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1949, and ending June 30, 1950, and find that the annual statement of income and expense is correct.

I find further that all payments by the Association have been authorized and charged against specific items in the budget.

Respectfully submitted,
Marvin L. Suiter,
Accountant.

No. 16

THE NATIONAL CITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH
CORPORATION ANNUAL REPORT

DIRECTORY

Promotional Office, 800 Chestnut St., St. Louis 1, Missouri

R. A. Long, Sponsor (Deceased)

Officers

Oreon E. Scott, St. Louis 1, Mo., President

Graham Frank, Dallas, Texas, Vice-President

Miss Hilda E. Koontz, Washington 5, D. C., Acting Secretary

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J. Warren Hastings, Washington 5, D. C., Pastor

Last year a truly great victory was achieved in the life of the Brotherhood when its National Church, after laboring under a tremendously heavy burden of debt since the church was dedicated on October 19, 1930, was finally freed from that debt. The Mortgage Burning Ceremony took place in the National City Christian Church on April 30, 1950.

When Dr. Raphael Harwood Miller became minister of this church in 1933 the indebtedness was \$640,000. Under his magnificent leadership the debt was reduced to \$315,000. Now it is gone and the entire Brotherhood rejoices in that fact.

However, the project known as the National City Christian Church is only partially complete. The Educational Building, which was a part of the original plan and which is so desperately needed, should be erected in the near future. The church can never do its best work without proper educational facilities. When the people of our Brotherhood are alerted to this need they will respond generously.

In honor of the memory of R. A. Long, Palmer Clarkson and a host of devoted leaders who have gone to their reward we should complete the National City Christian Church Educational Building at the earliest possible date. Great gains have been made under the inspired leadership of Mr. Oreon E. Scott, President of the Board of Trustees of the National City Christian Church Corporation. I am convinced that under his able direction the building program of the National City Christian Church shall continue to progress to its final completion.

J. Warren Hastings.

THE NATIONAL CITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH CORPORATION

STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES AS OF JUNE 30, 1950

Resources

Cash in Mississippi Valley Trust Co., St. Louis, Missouri-----	\$ 1,509.11
Cash in Trader's Gate National Bank, Kansas City, Missouri--	1,280.97
National City Christian Church, Thomas Circle Property-----	1,026,864.52
Vermont Avenue Christian Church Property-----	75,000.00
Investments supporting annuities-----	20,100.00
	<u>\$1,124,754.60</u>

Liabilities

Outstanding Annuities, original contributions-----	\$ 9,300.00
Indebtedness on National City Christian Church-----	000.00
Indebtedness on Vermont Avenue Church Property-----	40,191.32
Net Resources over Liabilities-----	<u>1,075,263.28</u>
	<u>\$1,124,754.60</u>

Operating Statement July 1, 1949, to June 30, 1950

Receipts

In Banks July 1, 1949-----	\$ 2,516.83
Received through Unified Promotion and Churches-----	2,527.79
Received National City Christian Church Special Offerings-----	9,130.00
Special Contribution of Stocks and Dividends-----	3,391.62
Special Capital Contributions from Individuals-----	5,458.00
Special Estate Contributions-----	22,472.38
Rental Income-----	5,225.00
Interest on Investments-----	978.49
	<u>\$51,700.11</u>

Disbursements

Paid to Annuitants-----	\$ 578.00
Taxes on Massachusetts Avenue Property-----	1,023.06
Interest on Loans-----	3,158.84
Paid on National City Christian Church Building Debt-----	40,000.00
Paid on Vermont Avenue Property Debt-----	1,207.83
Incidental Expense, Convention Program, Year Book, Loan Expense, etc.-----	324.33
Repairs to Massachusetts Avenue House-----	28.00
Insurance on all properties-----	2,583.97
Safety Deposit Box for Securities-----	6.00
Balance in Banks-----	<u>2,790.08</u>
	<u>\$51,700.11</u>

No. 17

EUROPEAN EVANGELISTIC SOCIETY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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EUROPEAN EVANGELISTIC SOCIETY ANNUAL REPORT

At the conclusion of a long and careful examination of various opportunities on the European continent, Mr. Earl Stuckenbruck, our missionary to that area, decided to recommend to the Board of Directors that we open a school for the training of preachers native to Europe in the University city of Tubingen. This decision was arrived at after a consultation with the University authorities there, and their expression of welcome to such an institution. Accordingly, Mr. and Mrs. Stuckenbruck moved to Tubingen in the late fall of 1949 and have begun work in that city.

Living accommodations have been entirely unsatisfactory for Mr. and Mrs. Stuckenbruck, especially since the coming of their child some months ago. They have been forced to live in a single room on the second floor without the simplest kind of conveniences such as running water. They have endured this condition, however, without complaint but we are not certain how much longer we can continue them in this position and still have the proper regard for the health of our missionary family. It may be, therefore, that we shall be obliged to recall them for a few months' vacation before the winter sets in.

Property has been purchased consisting of the major portion of a city block some distance from the center of town, on which to construct a school building. Plans for this building have been drawn up by one of the leading architects of Germany, and have been adopted by the Executive Committee of the Directors. The total cost of the building, as at present projected, is in the neighborhood of fifty thousand dollars. Much depends on the financial structure of Germany, however, in regard to the ultimate expense.

We are pleased to report that Mr. Stuckenbruck has had two full-time students devoting their studies to preparation for the ministry. They have made excellent progress. Mr. Stuckenbruck is well pleased with both of them. In addition to this, Mr. Stuckenbruck has worked with the children in Tubingen, giving them instruction in Bible materials and in attending to their physical requirements as well. Much clothing and other material have been received from friends, which have been distributed to the needy through Mr. Stuckenbruck. This is one of the best services which we have been able to perform in that much overrun country. The DP's in particular still have to look to charitable agencies for much of their essential materials for living. Among these people are many highly educated and culturally superior people who are forced to live on the charity which comes to them through largely American service organizations. We are pleased to have had a part in this work.

We are also pleased to report that Mr. Stuckenbruck has baptized five people during the year, thus forming the nucleus of a church in Tubingen. While our mission is primarily educational, yet this result is encouraging in that it shows the probability of generous response to the preaching of the gospel when we have equipped the native preachers with the proper information and skills in order to accomplish that end.

In summary we may indicate that we believe this year to have been of much profit. We have established headquarters in a University city; we have purchased property on which to erect a school; we have begun a New Testament church; we have enrolled two likely candidates for the

EUROPEAN EVANGELISTIC SOCIETY REPORT

ministry. Over against this accomplishment is the fact that we have been unable to secure adequate living quarters for the Stuckenbrucks and face the probability that they must be brought home for a period of recuperation before continuing their work much further.

We trust that this report will show the profit being realized on our hopes and convictions. We express the confidence that our brethren will respond more generously in the years to come than in the past, because of the evident tangible results now beginning to arise out of their venture of faith.

We are still of the conviction that a Europe without New Testament Christianity is a Europe of future wars.

FINANCIAL REPORT

July 1, 1949—July 30, 1950

Balance in treasury, July 1, 1949-----\$ 4,121.98

Receipts

Contributions from churches and individuals-----\$4,595.53
Contributions direct to missionary----- 379.45
Crusade Share ----- 5,260.67

10,235.65

Total Receipts, June 30, 1950-----\$14,357.63

Disbursements

Missionary's Salary-----\$2,340.29
Travel—Missionary ----- 594.50
Cable Charges ----- 33.95
Pension Payments ----- 253.58
Hospitalization—Missionary ----- 60.00
World Call Subscription—Missionary----- 1.50
Promotion ----- 350.00
Postage ----- 11.40
Entry in International Convention Program Book 15.99
Entry in Disciples of Christ Year Book----- 51.37
Repayment of S. O. S. Fund Loan ----- 200.00
School Fund for Missionary----- 1,500.00
Purchase of School Property----- 2,500.00

7,912.58

Balance on hand, June 30, 1950-----\$6,445.05

Herbert J. Wilson, Treasurer.

CERTIFICATE OF AUDITOR

August 8, 1950

I have audited the books of the European Evangelistic Society for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1949, and ending June 30, 1950, and find that the annual statement of income and expense is correct.

I find further that all payments by the Society have been properly authorized and charged against specific items in the budget.

Respectfully submitted,
Marvin L. Suiter,
Accountant.

No. 18

HISTORICAL SOCIETY, DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

Headquarters, Archives and Curator's Office
Canton, Missouri

Officers

W. E. Garrison, President, 407 S. Dearborn, Chicago 5, Illinois
Chester P. Hensley, Vice-President, 507 Peoples Bank Bldg., Bloomington, Illinois
Donald E. Sykes, Secretary-Treasurer, Canton, Missouri
Claude E. Spencer, Curator, P. O. Box 226, Canton, Missouri

Executive Committee

The President, the Curator, and
Chester P. Hensley, Henry King Shaw, and Louis A. Warren

Board of Directors

Term Expiring 1950

<i>Reuben Butchart, Toronto, Ont., Canada</i>	<i>Miss Harriet-Louise H. Patterson, Cleveland, Ohio</i>
<i>Enos E. Dowling, Indianapolis, Ind.</i>	<i>Henry King Shaw, Elyria, Ohio</i>
<i>Colby D. Hall, Ft. Worth, Texas</i>	<i>Dwight E. Stevenson, Lexington, Ky.</i>
<i>Chester P. Hensley, Bloomington, Ill.</i>	<i>Charles C. Ware, Wilson, N. C.</i>
<i>Raymond McCallister, Webster Groves, Mo.</i>	

Term Expiring 1951

<i>Ben F. Dixon, San Diego, Calif.</i>	<i>James DeForest Murch, Cincinnati, Ohio</i>
<i>Stephen J. England, Enid, Okla.</i>	<i>Orval D. Peterson, Yakima, Wash.</i>
<i>Wulfred P. Harman, Temple, Texas</i>	<i>Walter W. Sikes, Indianapolis, Ind.</i>
<i>Richard L. James, Dallas, Texas</i>	<i>Donald E. Sykes, Canton, Mo.</i>
<i>Warner Muir, Los Angeles, Calif.</i>	

Term Expiring 1952

<i>Robert W. Burns, Atlanta, Ga.</i>	<i>J. Edward Moseley, Indianapolis, Ind.</i>
<i>A. T. DeGroot, Fort Worth, Texas</i>	<i>Ronald E. Osborn, Indianapolis, Ind.</i>
<i>W. E. Garrison, Chicago, Ill.</i>	<i>Claude E. Spencer, Canton, Mo.</i>
<i>S. S. Lappin, Bedford, Ind.</i>	<i>Louis A. Warren, Ft. Wayne, Ind.</i>
	<i>Miss Eva Jean Wrather, Nashville, Tenn.</i>

Activities

The society has been engaged in four major activities during the past year; getting settled in its new headquarters in the Carl Johann Memorial Library building at Culver-Stockton College; working on its long-range expansion program, working with Bethany College through the Campbell Home Committee for the repair, restoration and development of the Campbell Mansion at Bethany, West Virginia; and helping graduate students and research workers with their problems.

The curator, on the authorization of the Board of Directors, and with the help of the Executive Committee, prepared a plan which was presented to the Council of Agencies for inclusion in the brotherhood ten-year program. The curator attended each meeting of the Council of Agencies. The plan gave the need for the society, reviewed its history from the beginning in 1941, listed the services to be offered by 1961, and showed what would be necessary in the way of staff, equipment, materials and building in order to realize these services. Copies of the plan as outlined in the July, 1950, issue of *Discipliana* can be secured from the society booth in the exhibition hall.

The Campbell Home Committee has been busy preparing plans for the campaign for funds for the repair, restoration, development and endowment of the Alexander Campbell mansion at Bethany, West Virginia, which is expected to get under way by April 1, 1951. Through the campaign it is hoped that not only will the necessary money be raised, but that a new interest will be aroused for the appreciation and study of the historical heritage of Disciples.

During the past year more individuals have come to our headquarters for research than any other previous year. Duplicate materials for loan purposes have been widely distributed, even to foreign countries. Many reference questions have been answered by mail. Our effectiveness is limited by the lack of staff and equipment.

Accessions

More than 200 individuals contributed books, periodicals, pamphlets, letters, documents, pictures, manuscripts and museum material to the archives the past year. In addition nearly 200 churches, organizations, and publishing houses sent current periodicals, books and reports. Many items were received through exchange and a few were purchased. All accessions have been reported in *Discipliana*.

Membership

Our membership is now about 800 persons; the most we have ever had. New members during the past year total 227, while less than 50 were dropped for nonpayment of dues and 14 voluntarily withdrew.

Local church membership is very unsatisfactory as we have less than 30 churches enrolled as members.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY, DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

DISCIPLES OF CHRIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY FINANCES

January 1 to December 31, 1949

Balance on hand January 1, 1949-----\$ 212.27

Receipts

Memberships:

Individual, new -----	\$234.00	
Individual, old -----	367.00	
Individual, life -----	60.00	
Institutional -----	240.00	
Local church -----	<u>180.00</u>	\$1,081.00

Sales:

Publications -----	179.40	
Duplicates -----	93.50	
Discipliana -----	<u>4.50</u>	276.90

Gifts:

H. B. Robison Collection -----	7.00	
Unrestricted -----	<u>61.50</u>	68.50

Miscellaneous:

Campbell Home Breakfast -----	141.63	
Campbell Home Booth -----	<u>100.00</u>	241.63
Total Receipts -----		<u>\$1,668.03</u>
		\$1,880.30

Expenditures:

Discipliana -----	\$ 254.35	
Postage -----	119.37	
Travel and Convention expense -----	891.20	
Supplies -----	76.99	
Books -----	135.57	
Miscellaneous -----	23.67	
Campbell busts -----	<u>318.61</u>	
Total Expenditures -----		<u>\$1,819.76</u>
Balance on hand, December 31, 1949		\$ 60.54

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THE CHRISTIAN FOUNDATION

Directory

General Office: 301 Washington Street, Columbus, Indiana.
 President: Hilton U. Brown
 Vice-President: Mrs. Nettie S. Miller
 Secretary: Miss Lula Patterson
 Treasurer: Mr. Irwin Miller
 Executive Committee: Mrs. Nettie S. Miller, Chairman, Miss Elsie I. Sweeney, Miss Clementine Miller, Earl B. Pulse, John R. Rees, Irwin Miller, Edwin G. Crouch.

Directors

Terms Expiring 1951: Hilton U. Brown, Earl B. Pulse, Orville Stevens.
 Terms Expiring 1952: Miss Clementine Miller, Irwin Miller, Edwin G. Crouch.
 Terms Expiring 1953: Mrs. Nettie S. Miller, Miss Elsie I. Sweeney, John R. Rees

ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1949

Total Assets as at 12/31/49	\$2,925,882.70
Contributions	\$ 109,486.01
Administrative Costs	\$ 1,515.40
Total Expenditures	\$ 111,001.41

Irwin Miller, Treasurer

ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors,
 The Christian Foundation,
 301 Washington Street,
 Columbus, Indiana.

We have examined the balance sheet of The Christian Foundation as at December 31, 1949, and the related statements of fund principal and income for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet and statements of fund principal and income, together with the comments thereon, present fairly, on a cash basis, the financial position of The Christian Foundation at December 31, 1949, and the results of its fund income and expenditures for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

S. D. Leidesdorf & Co.
 Certified Public Accountants

New York, N. Y.
 January 27, 1950

I hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of the Accountants' Report as included in the audit of The Christian Foundation prepared by S. D. Leidesdorf & Co., Certified Public Accountants, as at December 31, 1949.

Irwin Miller, Treasurer

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BRAZIL CHRISTIAN MISSION
ANNUAL REPORT

Executive Committee

Monroe M. Miles—Chairman
Cecil Swindle—Vice-chairman
Truce Lewellyn—Secretary
William A. Cook—Treasurer
Carlton Garrison—Member

Missionaries

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd David Sanders have been on the field since March, 1948, a period of two and one-half years.

Miss Ruth Spurgeon a nurse with special training in the fields of education and religion, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ewing arrived in Goiaz, Brazil, in April, 1950, making a total of five missionaries now actively engaged in Brazil. Two women have A.B. degrees with special training in separate fields. David has graduate degrees and Richard has specialized graduate work.

Accomplishments to date:

Thus far amazing results have attended the hard work and earnest devotion of the missionaries. Besides the task of language, orientation and finding the most suitable place to settle, 65 men, women, and children have been baptized, and are being trained as national workers in the spreading of the gospel in Goiaz.

During the past year, evangelistic services and personal work have been carried on in five separate locations. Three weekly Bible schools are being maintained, and two daily Bible schools, meeting one-half day in each place, and running five days per week. One school met in the mornings and the other in the afternoons. One hundred fifty students between the ages of 6 and 15 were enrolled.

Special training sessions and personal guidance is given regularly to train three evangelists and six teachers, all of whom help carry on a program of education and training for the children and new converts. These native leaders are taking an increasingly larger part in the leadership of the mission.

A radio program is given twice weekly in Goiania. Much printed literature and many Bibles are being distributed with the help of the Brazilian Bible Society.

Recognition by Goiania City Officials

The contribution which the mission has made to the people of the city of Goiania in the field of education has been recognized by the officials of the City of Goiania. They have expressed their appreciation by presenting a tract of land in the city of Goiania to the mission for a school and church building. Plans are now complete for a building which is to house the school, church and infirmary.

The successes thus far prove that great things can be accomplished for Christ and his church in this much neglected field.

William A. Cook, Treasurer
Carlton D. Garrison, Member

Monroe M. Miles, Chairman
Cecil Swindle, Vice-chairman
Truce Lewellyn, Secretary

BRAZIL CHRISTIAN MISSION

BRAZIL CHRISTIAN MISSION FINANCIAL REPORT

Receipts and Disbursements

Year Ended June 30, 1950

Cash in Bank July 1, 1949 -----	\$ 2,031.51
Emergency Fund July 1, 1949 -----	\$2,257.50
(To return missionaries in case of rebellion or war in Brazil)	
Government Bonds	
F-M1-567540	
F-M1-567541	
F-M1-567542	
E-561233964E	
E 0322068259E	
RECEIPTS July 1, 1949—June 30, 1950	
Contributions from churches, Bible Schools, D.V.B.S., local church missionary organizations and individuals ---	13,325.27
	<u>\$15,356.78</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Insurance -----	\$1,044.80
Advertising -----	1,071.31
Living Expense -----	5,820.00
Mission Expense -----	7,177.72
(Includes Mission Supplies, Transportation, Postage, Native Workers, Rent, Custom Fees, Etc.)	
Office Supplies -----	136.99
	<u>\$15,250.82</u>
	<u>\$15,250.82</u>

Cash in Bank June 30, 1950 -----	\$ 105.96
Emergency Fund June 30, 1950 -----	\$2,257.50
(To return missionaries in case of rebellion or war in Brazil)	
Government Bonds	
F-M1-567540	
F-M1-567541	
F-M1-567542	
E-561233964E	
E-0322068259E	

Wm. A. Cook, Treasurer Brazil Christian Mission
July 25, 1950

BRAZIL CHRISTIAN MISSION

Certificate of Auditor

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that after a complete and detailed audit I find the record of Cash Receipts and Disbursements of the Brazil Christian Mission under the management of Wm. A. Cook, to be complete and accurate as to June 30, 1950.

After completing the bank reconciliation, I find the balance to be \$105.96 as reflected in the records.

Respectfully submitted,
Harvey M. Archer, Accountant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of July, 1950.

My commission expires Feb. 27, 1951.

Lowell Chatfield, Notary Public.

TRIAL BALANCE

Cash	\$ 105.96	
Emergency Fund	2,257.50	
Prepaid Insurance (Annuity)	332.93	
Contributions		\$30,598.37
Advertising Expense	\$ 1,608.61	
Living Expense	11,200.00	
Mission Expense	13,569.26	
Office Expense	516.09	
Expired Insurance	1,008.02	
	\$30,598.37	\$30,598.37

BRAZIL CHRISTIAN MISSION

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

RECEIPTS:

Contributions	\$30,598.37	
Insurance Refund (Jeep)	15.15	
Total Receipts		\$30,613.52

DISBURSEMENTS:

Emergency Fund	\$ 2,257.50	
Insurance	1,356.10	
Advertising	1,608.61	
Living Expense	11,200.00	
Mission Expense	13,569.26	
Office Expense	516.09	
Total Disbursements		\$30,507.56
Cash in Bank		\$ 105.96

No. 21

SOUTHEASTERN CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY, INC.

Black Mountain, N. C.

L. T. New, President
Dr. H. S. Hilley, Executive Secretary
R. Paul Parker, Vice-President
Nixon Taylor, Vice-President
Bruce Nay, Secretary
J. Benbow Jones, Assistant Secretary
Frank W. Dixon, Treasurer
Mrs. Mary E. Aleshire, Historian

SERVICE REPORT

The Southeastern Christian Assembly is located on a choice site of more than 600 acres one mile from Black Mountain, N. C. That the location is ideal for its beauty and climate is proved by the fact that in this area eleven Protestant churches have established assemblies and that their services to their churches have been outstanding over the last half century is attested by the fact that three have been begun in the last five years.

The purpose of the assembly is to afford young men and young women of the Christian Churches of superior ability and decision an opportunity for intensive leadership training for short periods under the best type of Christian teachers and leaders. Various adult groups and organizations will be offered similar opportunities that they may be better prepared for active Christian service in their churches and communities.

While the organization is too recent to be included in the Crusade, the laymen who dreamed of what it could do and who now direct its policies expect it to be a concern of major importance after the Crusade is completed. They plan to erect suitable buildings and provide facilities adequate for large groups and they wish to develop a program that will fit the need of the Christian Church for a better equipped leadership.

SOUTHEASTERN CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY, INC.

Black Mountain, N. C.

Financial Condition—December 31, 1949

<i>Assets</i>		<i>Liabilities</i>	
Site	\$16,500.00	E. M. Seabrook	\$ 4,000.00
Cash in bank	1,089.47	L. T. New	12,500.00
Town lot	300.00	Surplus	1,389.47
	<u>\$17,889.47</u>		<u>\$17,889.47</u>

SOUTHEASTERN CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY, INC.

Statement for Year 1949

<i>Income</i>		<i>Disbursements</i>	
Sale of timber, etc. ----	\$2,550.00	Purchase of land -----	\$1,484.00
Donations -----	310.00	Travel and sec'y exp.----	245.03
		Miscellaneous -----	41.50
	<u>\$2,860.00</u>	To bal. 12/31/49 -----	<u>1,089.47</u>
			\$2,860.00

The Treasurer of the Southeastern Christian Assembly has certified the above statements as to financial condition to be correct.

H. S. Hilley, Executive Secretary

April 12, 1950.

Certificate of Auditor

We hereby certify that we have audited the above statements, and, in our opinion the figures shown therein are true and correct. The balance on hand December 31, 1949, has been reconciled with statement furnished by the Northwestern Bank, Black Mountain, N. C.

Rowland J. Jones, Certified Public Accountant

Asheville, N. C.,
August 5, 1950.

No. 22

**COMMISSION ON BUDGETS AND PROMOTIONAL
RELATIONSHIPS OF THE INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION OF DISCIPLES OF CHRIST, 1950**

The Commission met in Indianapolis, April 17 to 20, 1950. The following members were present: Andrew, Davidson, Fellers, Flewelling, Jones, Shirley, Scott, Hunt, chairman, and Gaines M. Cook, ex officio.

The budget operations of the following agencies were reviewed and approved:

National:

The Association for the Promotion of Christian Unity; The Board of Church Extension; The Board of Higher Education; The Brazil Christian Mission; The Historical Society; The International Convention; The National Benevolent Association; The Pension Fund; The South-eastern Christian Assembly; and the United Christian Missionary Society.

State Missionary Societies:

Alabama; Arkansas; Northern California; Southern California; Capital Area; Colorado; Florida; Georgia; South Idaho; Illinois; Indiana; Iowa; Kansas; Kentucky; Louisiana; Michigan; Minnesota; Mississippi; Missouri; Montana; Nebraska; New England; New York and New Jersey; North Carolina; Ohio; Oklahoma; Oregon; Pennsylvania; Tennessee; Texas; Virginia; West Virginia; Wyoming; All-Canada.

Educational Institutions:

Atlantic Christian College; Bethany; Bible College of Missouri; Butler; Chapman; Christian; Christian College of Georgia; The College of the Bible; College of Churches of Christ in Canada; Disciples Divinity House; Drake; Eureka; Hiram; Illinois Disciples Foundation; Indiana School of Religion; Kansas Bible Chair; Lynchburg; Kentucky Female Orphan School; Oklahoma Disciples Foundation; Phillips; Purdue Christian Foundation; Texas Christian; Transylvania; William Woods; Cotner College and Nebraska Christian Foundation; The Texas Bible Chair.

When increased percentage was asked, the request was noted and referred to Unified Promotion. Any item needing study by the agency was referred to the agency by the secretary at the direction of the Commission.

Other Budget Actions:

Voted approval of the requested operating budget for Unified Promotion as \$116,542.00 for 1950-51.

Voted approval of the operating budget as requested by the International Convention in the sum of \$41,500.00 for 1950-51.

Voted approval of the proposed asking for the National Benevolent Association, \$750,000.00 for the year 1950-51.

Voted approval of the suggestion of Unified Promotion that the askings from churches, Missionary organizations, and individuals in behalf of the agencies cooperating in Unified Promotion be set at \$3,000,000.00.

Voted approval of the askings of the Historical Society and manner of raising the \$6,000.00, i.e., asking \$100.00 each from 60 churches or individuals.

Voted to table without prejudice the request of Southeastern Christian Assembly.

Special Campaign Actions:

All campaigns approved are to be effective at the close of the Crusade.

Voted approval of the request of Lynchburg College for a campaign for \$200,000.00 to construct a woman's dormitory.

Voted approval of the request of Southern California Christian Missionary Society for a campaign for \$100,000.00 annually for four years, fund to be used in the construction of new churches.

Voted approval of the request of the Illinois Disciples Foundation for a campaign for \$100,000.00 for the purpose of completing a Student Foundation building.

Voted approval of the request of the Ohio Christian Missionary Society for a campaign for \$30,000.00 with which to purchase conference grounds.

Voted approval of the request of the Ohio Christian Missionary Society for the privilege of using one day in the church calendar to raise funds for the purpose of establishing a new church, said day not to conflict with a regular offering.

Voted to table the request of the Christian Temple of Baltimore for a campaign to raise \$75,000.00 for the purpose of building an Ainslie Memorial unit on the new Christian Temple Building. The Commission feels that it is not privileged to grant such appeals to local churches unless the appeal be sponsored by an agency reporting to the International Convention.

Voted approval of a campaign for \$150,000.00 to renovate and repair the Campbell Homestead. This appeal is sponsored by the Historical Society.

Voted permission to the Board of Higher Education to solicit designated over and above gifts to the amount of \$113,000.00 for the benefit of its member agencies. The Board is to determine the amount each school may seek and report the receipts to the Commission.

Voted approval of the post-Crusade plans of Unified Promotion as adopted by its Board of Directors and approved by the Board of Review. This was done after careful study of the plans and with hearty approval.

Note: This refers specifically to the recommendation to create a "Brotherhood Finance Committee" and the recommended procedure for the allocation of funds for the year closing June 30, 1951, and each year thereafter.

Note: In light of the new procedure it seems advisable that a new approach be made to organizations and institutions not heretofore in Unified Promotion, urging that they consider the matter of affiliation as soon as practicable. The reasons for such renewal of invitation are in order that the total cooperative life of the Brotherhood may be of the same pattern and structure in order that administration and budget clearances might be expedited by a more unified process.

Voted: The Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships has heard with appreciation the excellent report presented by the Board of Directors of the Crusade for a Christian World to the Annual Board of Review. We note significant progress toward goals of evangelism, education and stewardship and we congratulate both the national staff and state directors. The Commission has heard the reports concerning the incompleted portions of the Crusade from its leaders and believes that the request for extension of time for the realization of Crusade objectives is justified; however, it is our understanding that all solicitation of churches and individuals closes with the end of the Week of Compassion, 1951. Therefore, we approve the recommendation of the Crusade Board as amended by the Board of Review for the extension of time for the completion of program activity and financial goals in accordance with action taken by the Board of Review.

Executive Committee:

An executive committee with power ad interim was elected. The personnel is as follows: Clifford J. Shirley, chairman of the Commission; Carrel Flewelling, vice-chairman of the Commission, Judge Ray P. Scott; and Gaines M. Cook, ex officio.

No. 23

UNIFIED PROMOTION

Box 5636, Indianapolis 19, Indiana

C. O. Hawley, Director

Julian E. Stuart, Associate Director

ANNUAL REPORT

(Following the request of the International Convention, this report is made to that body through the Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships, under whose guidance Unified Promotion functions.)

Officers

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Miss Mary E. White, Vice-President

Miss Jessie M. Trout, Recording Secretary

Miss Ann Davidson, Treasurer

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I. The New Century

At the Cincinnati International Convention the victories of the first century of cooperation in the brotherhood life were recognized with genuine gratitude and consecration. In light of this development it is well to think of the reference made a few years ago by Dr. Halford Luccock concerning an appropriate theme for the Sunday after Easter. It is the familiar direction to the reader following the synopsis of preceding chapters in a continued story: "Now Go On With the Story." The events of the first century of cooperation are intriguing, but it is a continued story.

During the first century of cooperation the churches, through the International Convention, provided channels through which Christ's way may be effectively presented in this kind of a world. This is the only purpose of the agencies cooperating in Unified Promotion. It has been the objective as entrance has been made into the second century of cooperation to use well the inheritance of cooperation. The promotional program has endeavored to go on with the story effectively.

II. The Fifteenth Year

In an unusual sense the work has been confronted around the world with a humanity that is disillusioned, uncertain and apprehensive. A vastly different and rapidly changing world has been faced. No theory or truth of morality, government or religion have been above challenge. As the world was laden with responsibilities and opportunities, the new year was approached with optimism and courage.

The fifteenth year has been one of progress. Again the offerings have increased over the previous year. The service to the churches in the field of stewardship has been enlarged. The cooperation of the churches have made possible many victories in Christian service.

A. Theme

The approved theme for the year was, "A New Century of Progress." The purpose has been to conserve our heritage of cooperation and to build upon it by the courageous dedication of those who can and dare for the kingdom of God. The tense struggle between secularism and Christianity in the world has compelled a stronger offensive in the name of Christ.

B. Stewardship

During the year there was prepared and promoted the stewardship program for the third year of the Crusade under the theme, "Stewardship Is the Key to Christian Progress."

1. The Fall Program

The program for October and November included five lines of action:

- a. Materials were suggested for use in classes, groups and organizational meetings of the church.
- b. A stewardship study booklet, "Stewardship, the Key to Christian Service" was made available to the churches.
- c. Guidance materials were provided for the stewardship committee and the pastor in planning the program.
- d. A new series of stewardship bulletins were issued.
- e. A new series of stewardship pamphlets were edited and made available.

2. The Spring Program

- a. In the period from Easter to Pentecost a definite program for stewardship education and enlistment of tithers was launched.
- b. A new manual was prepared for the guidance of the stewardship committee of the local church. Emphasis was placed upon, (1) thorough preparation, (2) church-wide participation, and (3) conservation of the gains.

- c. A new pamphlet, "Youth Has Money for God" was added to complete the series of youth guidance studies.
- d. A new stewardship study booklet, "Studies in Christian Stewardship" was offered as supplementary or special study material in classes and groups.
- e. May 21 was established as Dedication Sunday. On that day churches participating in the educational program enrolled tithers and proportionate givers. Other churches used the Sunday as a day of stewardship emphasis and enlistment.
- f. A special leaflet for use in the promotion of Dedication Sunday was made available to the churches.
- g. The assistance of ministers in every section of the country was requested to visit neighboring churches to secure participation in the program. A sizable amount of very valuable work was done by these men.

3. The Record

Progress is reflected in the record of per capita giving of our churches:

Year	Per Capita Giving		Total Per Capita Giving
	Per Capita Giving Current Expenses	Missions and Benevo- lence	
1947	\$15.47	\$3.95	\$19.42
1948	16.31	4.73	21.04
1949	18.34	4.84	23.18

G. The United Church Canvass

It is a cooperative effort by the churches of the community, in the Council of Churches, or the Ministerial Association in putting on a United Church Canvass, which simply means as many churches as possible agreeing to hold their canvass simultaneously.

"Religion in American Life" is a nationwide, non-sectarian appeal to every citizen to strengthen the foundations of religion in personal and community life. It is sponsored by a representative committee of outstanding American laymen and supported by twenty-one national religious bodies, also the Synagogue Council of America, the United Council of Church Women, the American Bible Society, Christian Rural Overseas Program and the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

Disciples of Christ cooperated in the 1949 observance and plan to continue this participation.

D. Special Days

Unified Promotion has the responsibility of the promotion of three special days. Easter, Children's Day and Thanksgiving which have produced over \$400,000.00 annually for the cooperating causes.

Materials have been prepared for each of the special days. Samples have been sent to all pastors or correspondents and superintendents of the Sunday schools.

While the number of orders for materials varies from year to year, approximately 2,250 churches and schools use the materials for special days. The majority of the churches have standing orders. During the past year the number of standing orders increased to 1,897, a gain of 17%.

Following is a list of the offerings for each day:

Thanksgiving	\$127,284.88
Easter	172,611.50
Children's Day	123,454.26

E. Publicity

The state and national publications have been very generous in giving valuable space for the publication of material in support of the regular program, including the special days, stewardship and the cooperating causes. This procedure provides a very effective channel in carrying the information to a large per cent of the constituency. Advertising has been carried in the state and national papers concerning the program, the causes and special days. There is genuine gratitude for the cooperation of the publications of the Christian Board of Publication, the *World Call* and the state papers.

During the year, across the nation, the secular press has used a large amount of material announcing special meetings and disseminating information concerning the causes.

F. Field Cultivation

The contacts of the representatives of the cooperating agencies with the churches is a vital part of the year's program. This service has been rendered through:

1. The state representatives, men and women, and the state directors of Religious Education who have served devotedly during the year in the interest of the local church and its world causes. These workers have rendered very valuable service in the promotion of church program planning, stewardship, special days and local church visitation.
2. National secretaries and directors have served in general field work including local church visitation. These workers have appeared on many special programs arranged by local churches.
3. Missionaries, home and foreign, have given time in visitation of the churches. Regular appointments for missionaries have been made as far as personnel has been available. This has been done in cooperation with the United Christian Missionary Society.
4. Very often during the year pastors and other local church leaders have rendered a valuable service as volunteer workers in special projects.
5. The responsibility for the presentation of the cooperating causes in state conventions has been a major item in the work of Unified Promotion. The policy has been to divide equitably the representation in the state conventions. This has been difficult at times because of requests from program committees.

G. The Financial Report

1. Increased Receipts

The offerings from the churches, Bible schools, missionary organizations, councils, youth groups, children's groups and individuals comprising the amount reported by the cooperating agencies as well as the amount received direct by the Central Office, subject to percentage division totaled \$2,147,967.54. This is a gain of \$7,963.42 over last year.

In addition there was received \$182,988.24 in gifts designated over and above the percentages.

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2. Expenses

Expenditures July 1, 1949, to June 30, 1950

Salaries -----	\$13,210.11
Pensions -----	953.00
Office:	
Central Receiving Agency -----	7,547.95
Service -----	9,585.20
Supplies -----	1,800.40
Special Days -----	16,989.75
Local Church Development -----	10,206.36
Travel -----	4,747.10
Fall Conventions -----	4,000.00
Total -----	\$69,039.87

3. Auditor's Certificate

March 25, 1950

The Board of Directors
Unified Promotion, Inc.,
Disciples of Christ
Indianapolis, Indiana

We have audited the accounts of Unified Promotion, Inc., Disciples of Christ, for the year ended January 31, 1950, and have proved the correctness of all account balances as of that date.

We found that all recorded receipts have been deposited in the bank and distributions have been made according to the principles set forth in the By-Laws. We also found that expense items have been properly allocated and the funds correctly handled.

In our opinion, the records have been properly kept for the year under review.

F. D. Albershardt, Certified Public Accountant

4. Contributing Churches and Organizations for June, 1950

Contributing churches	3,934
Churches	2,792
Bible Schools	2,427
W.M.S.	1,310
Council	1,537
Y.M.M.S.	84
Guild	304
Y.G.	808
S.Y.G.	279
I.Y.G.	415
C.G.	272

III. A Study

Unified Promotion has served for fifteen years. The Board of Directors was of the opinion that both the philosophy and the method of this movement should be carefully studied in preparation for the Post Crusade Program. A Post Crusade Committee of twelve was appointed. After fifteen months of study a report was made which has been approved by the Board of Directors and the Board of Review of Unified Promotion and the Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships of the International Convention. The report stands firmly for the continuance of Unified Promotion and offers plans for the improvement and extension of its service and operation.

No. 24

A CRUSADE FOR A CHRISTIAN WORLD

Box 5636, Indianapolis 19, Indiana

O. O. Hawley, Executive Secretary
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The words of a pastor describe well the influence of A Crusade for a Christian World. "The Disciples of Christ have been lifted to greater heights through the Crusade emphasis. The vision of all service agencies charged with serving the churches in a world Christian program has been broadened. Local congregations have been guided into discovering their own resources and turning these into account for individual spiritual health and congregational growth and development. Wider sharing has become the accepted practice of Christian forces."

I. Achievements

The persons carrying the responsibility for the various program activities have been aggressive during the year in the contribution of plans, materials and field personnel for the promotion of such phases of the work. These activities are evangelism, Christian education, stewardship, world order, Christian unity, church enlargement in the town and country churches, new churches and recruitment.

It is impossible to give a complete report at this time. It is definitely known that the line indicating trends in evangelism, Christian education and stewardship is pointed upward rather than continuing the downward trend which was prevalent in the years preceding the Crusade.

In recruitment more than three thousand young people have committed themselves to the Christian ministry or to service in the mission fields or to other types of full-time Christian service. Nearly three thousand are in colleges and seminaries in preparation for the ministry and more than one thousand have made commitments for the mission field.

New churches have been organized through the efforts of state missions, home missions and church extension.

New benevolent homes have been erected and additions to present equipment.

The ministry to students in state colleges and universities has been enormously strengthened.

The attendance at our church colleges of young people from Christian church homes has been increased.

The work of relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction in Europe and Asia has been substantially supported.

A missionary recently said, "In Africa the lights have been turned on." She was referring to the six light plants made available for the mission work in Congo.

Church buildings have been rehabilitated in the Philippines.

New church buildings have replaced destroyed buildings in Japan.

In Mexico and Argentina new church buildings have been erected.

Funds for emergencies in China have been made available.

New buildings and equipment have been furnished for the hospitals in our India mission.

Transportation units have increased the scope of the service of the missionaries.

II. Promotional Activities

A. Field Activities

1. The Crusade activities in the states have been under the guidance of the State Directors, who have rendered valuable services.

2. The National Crusade Staff has continued its service to churches in the interest of their Crusade goals with special attention being given to the financial goal. This service has included the enlistment of volunteer workers and their training, the visitation of churches for the purpose of presenting plans and assistance in the launching of the same. In many cases the workers have helped to raise the funds. The emphasis has been on activity to achieve goals rather than merely seeking acceptances.
3. The staffs of the cooperating agencies and institutions have given generously of their time for Crusade promotion by special service in various areas. Several have been assigned to states for service.

These workers gave time for the promotion of the Week of Compassion during the periods February 19-26 and March 5-12. When the staffs of state societies, colleges, national agencies and the Crusade are counted, well over one hundred persons joined in this visitation.

B. Publicity

1. Since July 1, 1949, there has been a special arrangement with the state papers for the inclusion of Crusade items in each issue. The space assigned has varied from one to four pages an issue.
2. The publications of the Christian Board of Publication and the *World Call* have been very generous in the assignment of space for articles and news.
3. The *Christian Crusader* was issued in September, January and April. The circulation was three hundred and twenty-five thousand per issue.
4. The *Minister's Bulletin* has been issued each month in the interest of the Crusade.
5. Clip sheets, mats and mimeographed insets have been used by many churches.
6. The Week of Compassion materials have been prepared.

C. Materials

1. Leaflets and envelopes have been sent upon request.
2. A new folder for the Time Plan was issued.
3. A brochure for special gifts was prepared.

D. Special Gifts

In the beginning it was the understanding that sizable special gifts were necessary to attain the \$14,000,000.00. The individuals whom God has blessed with a large portion of material possessions, must give in large amounts to the Crusade, if they are Crusaders. The crusading spirit operates for Christian generosity.

The churches have made commitments which when fulfilled will mean the attainment of the share of the churches. The time has come for persons of ability who are accustomed to doing big things to face this Crusade challenge. Special gifts are just what people of special means can do about it.

CRUSADE FOR A CHRISTIAN WORLD

During the past year time has been given in making the preparations for a major movement for special individual gifts during the closing months. Already approximately one-half a million dollars has been pledged or given.

The general director of the Crusade is giving this phase of the work a priority.

III. What Are the Results:

A. Summary of all Crusade Receipts and expenditures as of June 30, 1950

Receipts:

Cash on hand July 1, 1947	\$ 17,772.29
Cash received by Crusade office including Week of Compassion, 1947, 1948, 1949 and 1950	5,826,928.01
Gifts reported by Cooperating Agencies ..	1,030,292.44
Total.....	\$6,874,992.74

Disbursements:

Expenses including Week of Compassion --	\$ 531,706.98
Cooperating Agencies, Including Church World Service	6,325,506.78
Total.....	\$6,857,213.76

Balance on hand June 30, 1950 ----- \$ 17,778.98

B. Receipts by States and Amounts Distributed to Agencies

	Amount Received	% of State Goal Paid	Number of Churches Making Gifts	Amount Paid on Crusade Share
Alabama.....	\$ 51,385.68	39.4	52	\$10,538.02
Arizona.....	16,760.20	51.5	15	5,196.63
Arkansas.....	91,026.70	71.4	76	9,544.01
Northern California.....	210,965.48	58.3	67	36,155.84
Southern California.....	430,536.97	40.1	97	46,282.57
Capital Area.....	98,596.53	51.6	46	12,183.84
Colorado.....	102,000.40	52.7	56	11,986.98
Florida.....	63,808.81	32.3	49	9,619.59
Georgia.....	135,614.19	79.7	110	61,188.01
Idaho South.....	19,640.23	38.1	17	10,124.97
Illinois.....	397,724.32	44.2	301	16,149.09
Indiana.....	500,231.24	43.3	342	11,786.98
Iowa.....	344,938.83	53.1	204	25,280.22
Kansas.....	404,451.44	56.7	271	48,720.61
Kentucky.....	420,591.78	58.0	297	22,400.88
Louisiana.....	26,920.14	59.8	26	11,915.15
Michigan.....	73,184.91	47.0	55	6,061.04

CRUSADE FOR A CHRISTIAN WORLD

Minnesota-----	36,557.49	54.9	16	4,211.20
Mississippi-----	25,800.66	34.5	33	13,901.66
Missouri-----	464,328.44	53.2	408	22,001.61
Montana-----	23,325.99	49.7	20	7,202.19
Nebraska-----	125,021.71	43.2	88	5,654.20
Nevada-----	689.39	19.2	3	—
New England-----	3,654.39	20.2	12	1,606.62
New York and New Jersey----	53,439.57	41.0	44	3,579.16
North Carolina-----	145,036.80	55.8	123	12,228.21
New Mexico-----	35,363.75	53.5	17	7,051.15
Ohio-----	512,176.78	41.8	238	18,473.02
Oklahoma-----	431,152.84	57.5	249	24,029.17
Oregon-----	102,245.15	32.0	89	—
Pennsylvania-----	128,374.50	35.4	119	20,452.21
South Carolina-----	6,527.99	41.2	25	3,894.14
South Dakota-----	6,588.27	48.3	5	1,540.38
Tennessee-----	171,436.23	55.6	69	9,659.56
Texas-----	579,948.18	38.7	326	23,657.33
Utah-----	4,325.35	84.5	2	3,020.47
Virginia-----	299,711.50	66.6	215	16,534.93
Washington and North Idaho--	185,576.74	35.2	91	29,914.89
West Virginia-----	124,147.37	62.4	55	13,656.09
Wisconsin-----	925.31	09.2	4	251.70
Wyoming-----	11,416.85	53.7	7	5,779.70
Board of Church Extension----				197,563.51
National Christian Missionary Convention-----				12,318.53
Association for Promotion of Christian Unity-----				8,288.04
Pension Fund-----				217,415.40
Board of Higher Education				5,915.82
United Christian Missionary Society-----				1,610,087.28
National Benevolent Associ- ation-----				386,263.07

	Amount Received	% of State Goal Paid	Number of Churches Making Gifts	Amount Paid on Crusade Share
European Evangelistic Society				\$11,748.77
Atlantic Christian College-----				82,287.40
Bethany College-----				28,927.40
Chapman College-----				193,723.71
Christian College-----				59,069.26
Culver-Stockton College-----				63,038.93
Drake University-----				120,838.39
Drury School of Religion-----				4,696.01
Eureka College-----				133,828.42
Hiram College-----				138,693.04
Illinois Disciples Foundation---				25,611.90

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Iowa Student Centers.....	6,125.62
Kansas Bible Chair.....	3,935.05
Lynchburg College.....	129,861.27
Michigan Foundation.....	1,601.49
Nebraska Christian Foundation.....	4,909.22
Northwest Christian College.....	118,982.16
Oklahoma Disciples Foundation.....	1,070.06
Oregon Student Work.....	11,585.18
Overdale College.....	571.92
Phillips University.....	295,415.52
Purdue Foundation.....	4,928.12
Texas Christian University.....	207,623.09
The College of The Bible.....	118,836.16
Transylvania College.....	118,836.16
Vanderbilt Disciples Divinity House.....	7,891.71
William Woods College.....	59,070.62
Church World Service.....	1,750,000.00

C. Crusade Expenses July 1, 1949, to June 30, 1950

Salaries of Executive Staff	\$44,944.32
Pensions of Executive Staff	2,387.51
Travel Expense of Staff	18,249.08
Clerical Workers	7,876.55
Publicity	12,941.61
Materials	7,252.21
Special Gifts	2,913.56
The Christian Crusader	17,318.74
Service and Supplies	18,779.52
Board Meetings	2,433.41
State Expenses	16,362.62
Travel of Special Workers	6,860.96

Total.....\$158,320.20

D. Auditor's Certificate

Indianapolis, Indiana
December 16, 1949

The Board of Directors
A Crusade for a Christian World
Of Disciples of Christ, Inc.
Indianapolis, Indiana

We have audited the accounts of A Crusade for a Christian World of Disciples of Christ, Inc., for the year ended September 30, 1949, and have proved the correctness of all account balances as of that date.

We found that all recorded receipts had been deposited in the bank and distributions have been made according to the principles set forth in the By-Laws. We also found that the expense items have been properly allocated and the funds correctly handled.

In our opinion, the records have been properly kept for the year under review.

Signed—F. C. Albershardt
Certified Public Accountant

E. Observations

1. \$6,874,992.44 has been received as of June 30, 1950.
2. 845 churches have reached or exceeded their goals; 1,691 churches have accepted goals but have not yet reached them. A total of 2,536 churches have accepted goals; 1,805 churches have not accepted goals but have sent offerings; 4,341 have been represented in the funds received.
3. The total amount not yet paid on commitments is \$3,780,971.67 plus the amount of cash received \$6,874,992.74 totals \$10,665,964.41. There is \$2,692,898.52 not yet remitted by churches which have not accepted goals.
4. The sources of funds for the completion of the Crusade are as follows:
 - churches which have accepted goals but have not yet reached them.
 - churches which have not accepted goals but have sent offerings.
 - special gifts from individuals.
 - offerings from the Week of Compassion.
5. The overhead as of June 30, 1950, was 7.8%. The expected additional Crusade funds will probably reduce this percentage to five or less.

IV. Week of Compassion

The Week of Compassion was observed March 5-12 in harmony with the One Great Hour of Sharing as promoted by Church World Service with twenty-five religious bodies cooperating.

The offerings totaled \$705,487.33. This is the largest offering received during any of the observances of the Week of Compassion.

All offerings received from the observance of this week have been credited on the Crusade goals of the churches. The first \$250,000.00 has been distributed to Church World Service and the remainder to the other causes in the Crusade.

Following is the record of designations of the quarter million dollars which was sent to Church World Service:

To the budget of the World Council of Churches for evangelism and youth work	\$ 7,500.00
Ecumenical Institute	10,000.00
Orthodox churches and Orthodox refugees	25,000.00
A special gift to the refugee division and Inter-Church Aid Committee of the World Council	15,000.00
To send young people of Disciples of Christ to Europe for one year for Christian service on a subsistence basis	10,000.00
To the World Student Christian Federation	2,000.00
American Bible Society	5,000.00
Relief to Christian workers in Japan	2,500.00
China Colleges for relief	10,000.00
India for relief	5,000.00
Orphaned Missions	5,000.00

Church World Service received \$145,832.00 in undesignated funds which makes a total of \$242,832.00. The promotional expense was \$7,168.00. This makes the total \$250,000.00.

V. The Crusade Continues

Following is a statement and recommendation presented to the Board of Directors of the Crusade and the Board of Review by a special committee:

"A Crusade for a Christian World is the greatest cooperative program our brotherhood has undertaken. It has enabled our people to accomplish programs in evangelism, Christian education, stewardship, ministerial and missionary recruitment, planting of new churches, world mission rehabilitation, overseas relief and reconstruction, and financial quotas of eleven million dollars accepted by local churches. For these achievements we are grateful. Before the tasks unfinished we confess our own inabilities and face the decision before God as to how we can complete the task we have taken upon ourselves.

"In the light of these considerations the Board of Directors, the State Directors and the Staff felt that the brotherhood wants us to succeed in the completion of the Crusade. Halfway programs will not enable us to get the task done. New programs and new approaches, and a new spirit undergirding these programs must take hold of us. Therefore, we come with the following recommendation after careful and prayerful consideration:

"That we ask the brotherhood, through its agencies and their responsible staffs to pledge themselves to an all-out effort to finish the Crusade financial goal of \$14,000,000.00 and aggressively pursue the program activities and culminate with a climactic effort during the Week of Compassion in 1951."

No. 25

THE COMMITTEE ON RELIEF APPEALS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

The Committee on Relief Appeals was first appointed at the International Convention held at Richmond, Virginia. Its purpose was to deal with the various appeals coming to Disciples of Christ for assistance in times of distress and destitution. It has requested Unified Promotion to carry the responsibility to secure funds for these various appeals. This has been accomplished through the observance of the Week of Compassion.

In recent years the work of relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction in Europe and Asia has been done through cooperation with Church World Service, an agency created for this purpose by several Protestant bodies. European Service includes cash or material aid in Austria, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Greece, Holland, Italy, Poland and Yugoslavia. The Asiatic Service includes Burma, Japan, Korea, Lebanon, Okinawa, Pakistan and Philippine Islands. The services include assistance to refugees, youth work, displaced persons, theological scholarships, inter-church aid and relief, laymen's work, inter-church and inter-mission aid in Asia, orphaned missions, reconstruction program of world's student Christian federation.

Throughout the year an attempt was made to help people most in need, and also to encourage the idea of "self-help." This latter is shown by the training projects in several centers, such as DP camps in Pakistan, China and Okinawa. Another phase of the program was that of helping to rebuild churches, especially in Germany, Austria and Japan. This activity was important for spiritual recovery. Thousands of religious books and periodicals were sent overseas, and in several countries pastors' rest homes were set up, youth camps were sponsored and students were assisted with food and clothing.

Disciples of Christ have specified a part of their offerings for the Ecumenical Institute, Orthodox Churches and Orthodox Refugees, Inter-church Aid, World Student Christian Federation, American Bible Society, relief of Christian workers in Japan, China colleges for professors and their families, and Orphaned Missions.

Appeals to the brotherhood for material aid to war devastated areas has been under the direction of the department of Social Welfare of The United Christian Missionary Society through mutual agreement with the Committee on Relief Appeals of the International Convention. Mrs. Ruth Estes Milner, National Director of Church and Community Service, was in charge of this task.

During the year some 10,500 pounds of material gifts from our churches, women's, children's and youth groups have been shipped to migrant fields, mission fields at home and abroad and to other needy areas of the world. These gifts included several hundred layettes, quilts and other bedding, clothing, sewing materials, medical and school supplies and large quantities of soap.

COMMITTEE ON RELIEF APPEALS REPORT

Cooperative relationships have been maintained with CROP, CARE and the Heifer Project Committee for the promotion of gifts-in-kind, heifers and goats for devastated areas.

A program of promotion for the resettlement of displaced persons among the churches of the brotherhood has been carried on by this department in response to the Protestant obligation to Protestant DPs awaiting resettlement. This will continue under the revised DP law of 1950.

Following December 31, 1950, the present organization of Church World Service will cease and the function will be transferred to the National Council of Churches. Church World Service will become a department in this organization.

C. O. Hawley, Chairman, Indianapolis, Indiana
Virgil A. Sly, Indianapolis, Indiana
William T. Pearey, Indianapolis, Indiana
J. Eric Carlson, St. Louis, Missouri
Paul G. Preston, Indianapolis, Indiana
James A. Crain, Indianapolis, Indiana
Frank G. Helme, Rushville, Indiana
C. L. Johnson, Marion, Indiana

No. 26

CHAPLAINCY ENDORSEMENT COMMISSION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF
DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

Frederick W. Helfer, Chairman, Baltimore, Md.

In submitting this report we wish to say that the Commission operates on a voluntary basis on behalf of our Brotherhood and as a patriotic service to our country. Our responsibility is the approval or disapproval of applications for Ecclesiastical Endorsement or Re-endorsement to the Army, Air Force, Navy and Veterans Administration.

Respectfully submitted

Riley B. Montgomery
Lexington, Ky.
J. Lloyd Black
Washington, D. C.

Frederick W. Helfer, Chairman
Baltimore, Md.
William J. Lineback, Secretary
Washington, D. C.

Walter Griswold
Honolulu, T. H.

WORK REPORT

(July 1, 1949, to June 30, 1950)

Letters received -----		172
Inquiries and requests for applications, endorsements----	44	
General correspondence -----	128	
Letters sent -----		249
Letters of approval, including Officers Reserve Corps and Regular Army -----	67	
Letters of disapproval -----	7	
General correspondence -----	175	
Number of applications received -----		20
Endorsements granted -----		38
Endorsements for recall to Active Duty -----	3	
Air Force -----	5	
Regular Army -----	1	
Regular Navy -----	4	
Veterans Administration -----	8	
National Guard -----	14	
Officers Reserve Corps -----	3	
Disapprovals -----		4
Withdrawals of Ecclesiastical Endorsement -----		2
Separation -----		1
Telephone calls received (long distance) -----		3
Telephone calls sent (long distance) -----		4

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Lineback, Secretary

No. 27

**REPORT OF THE DISCIPLE SECTION OF THE
BAPTIST-DISCIPLE COMMISSION**

(For Directory of this commission, see page 98.)

On Sunday, November 13, 1949, there were 144 pulpit exchanges between the Northern (now American) Baptists and the Disciples of Christ. These exchanges involved 273 ministers and 288 congregations. The next exchange will be held on January 21, 1951. It is hoped that even more exchanges than last year will take place.

From July 5-11 at the American Baptist Assembly Grounds in Green Lake, Wisconsin, more than 80 delegates attended a Baptist-Disciple conference. The delegates were about equally divided between the two communions. The conference, recognizing that it did not have the prerogatives of the Joint Commission on Baptist-Disciple relations, formulated a message for the Commission. The Commission has felt restrained by the action of the Northern Baptist Convention in Boston on May 25, 1950. A resolution was passed which reflects the opposition that has arisen in the Baptist fellowship to union with the Disciples of Christ and the consequent caution of the leaders in the movement for union. The resolution, however, asks that "the Commission be continued to explore the ways of furthering goodwill and cooperative endeavor on the part of the two brotherhoods." The conference has strengthened the Commission by a message which closes with these words: "Those attending this conference believe that the Commission should continue its work of education and fellowship until there is a more perfect understanding of our common faith. We, the members of this conference, pledge ourselves to continue this work with prayer and enthusiasm in the conviction that union will be achieved between Baptists and Disciples." Plans are well advanced for simultaneous conventions of the American Baptists and the Disciples of Christ in Chicago in 1952. It is planned now that there will be at least four joint sessions of these conventions.

Respectfully submitted,
Hampton Adams, Chairman,
Disciple Section of the Joint Com.

**RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION AND
ACTION BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
OF DISCIPLES OF CHRIST ANNUAL AS-
SEMBLY, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA-
HOMA, OCTOBER 9-15, 1950**

No. 28

**Resolution to Amend the Constitution of the International
Convention as to the Appointment of the Nominating
Committee, Filed at the 1949 Annual Assembly**

WHEREAS, There is a feeling on the part of a large number of supporters of our International Convention, that the Convention can, and should, be made more democratic in its organization and procedure, and

WHEREAS, In the appointment of committees by the President, the Constitution has not been adhered to strictly, in that the appointments were made at such a time as that said appointees were not approved by the Convention, as required by the Constitution, and,

WHEREAS, The Nominating Committee, by virtue of its extreme importance should be given careful thought and approval by the Convention,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the word "four" in line 3 of Section 3, Article III, be changed to "three," and that the words in lines 4 and 5 as follows: "a committee to nominate officers and executive committeemen for election by the Convention" be stricken out.

That a second paragraph of said Section 3, be added as follows: "Subject to the confirmation by the Convention, the Committee on Recommendations shall appoint a committee of fifteen members to nominate officers and Members of the Board of Directors for election by the Convention; that no officer of the Convention, or member of the Board of Directors shall be a member of this committee; and that as far as possible, the members be chosen from the different territorial sections of our Brotherhood."

Signed,

Everett S. Smith, L. S. Ashley, T. T. Roberts, Glendale Burton, Cecil A. Denney, Ray E. Snodgrass, Wm. D. Daugherty, Leland Cook, Sr., David S. McNelly, George F. Tinsley, A. Reid Liverett, J. Howard Baxter, Hugh M. Riley, John G. Wallenburg, A. H. Wilson.

(Section 3, Article II would read as follows if action is taken to adopt the above amendment) "Other Committees—Subject to the confirmation by the Convention, the President shall appoint three committees of five members each, namely a committee on remembrance to present to the Convention a memorial report; a committee on publicity to see that adequate reports of the Convention are published to the world; and a committee on fraternal relations to convey, by messenger or otherwise, to other general religious conventions, fraternal greetings and hope for Christian union. Subject to the confirmation by the Convention, the

Committee on Recommendations shall appoint a committee of fifteen members to nominate members to nominate officers and executive committeemen for election by the Convention; that no officer of the Convention or member of the executive committee shall be a member of this committee; and that, as far as possible the members be chosen from the different territorial sections of our Brotherhood. The President may appoint special committees as the need arises."

The Committee on Recommendations recommends that this resolution be accepted.

Action—VOTED to approve the recommendation.

No. 29

Resolution on the Internationalization of Jerusalem

At the International Convention Assembly at Cincinnati, Ohio, October 25-30, 1949, a resolution dealing with the Internationalization of Jerusalem was presented. The Committee on Recommendations, feeling that it did not have sufficient information on the subject to express a judgment, recommended that the resolution be referred to the Commission on World Order for study and report. At a meeting held in Indianapolis on May 1 and 2, the Commission adopted the following report:

"The International Convention of Disciples of Christ meeting in Cincinnati in October, 1949, referred to the Commission on World Order for study and report a resolution endorsing the general idea of the Internationalization of Jerusalem.

"Following this action, the situation has become increasingly involved and has been subject to frequent change. It has become more and more clear that this is not a simple question upon which Christian bodies can express their opinions with an assured degree of conviction and unanimity. As illustrations of this situation we point out the following considerations:

"(1) Some feel that the objective of internationalization could best be obtained through a United Nations Commission on the Holy Places, others favor a United Nations authority for governing the entire city of Jerusalem; and still others would extend the United Nations authority to include a larger area.

"(2) The question has become so involved with power politics that newspaper comments on the negotiations refer repeatedly to the following blocs, or positions: the Arab bloc; the Israeli and Jordan position; the Vatican bloc; the Western Powers; the Soviet bloc (which changed its position after action of the Trusteeship Council).

"The uncompromising opposition to internationalization on the part of Jordan and Israel, the two states which now share in holding Jerusalem, the equally uncompromising support of the idea by other Arab states are also parts of the problem.

"(3) The question is one on which Christian leaders are sharply divided, as illustrated by the fact that the American president of the World Council of Churches, Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, is opposed to

internationalization except through a Commission on the Holy Places, while the British president, the Archbishop of Canterbury, favors internationalization for specific parts of the city.

"In view of the complexity of the situation as suggested above, and especially because of the wide divergence of Christian opinion on this question, the Commission on World Order recommends that the International Convention make no statement with respect to the Internationalization of Jerusalem."

No. 30

Resolution on Inclusion of All Races in Local Church Membership

The International Convention at Cincinnati, Ohio, October 25-30, 1949, received the following resolution which was referred to the Department of Social Welfare for study and report:

"WHEREAS, The leaders of the Restoration Movement started out to restore the New Testament Church in faith and practice, and

"WHEREAS, The New Testament Church included people of many races, and

"WHEREAS, We have failed to restore this practice in our local congregations,

"THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That this Centennial Convention calls upon the local congregations to make inclusion of all races in the membership the first goal of the new century."

In harmony with this reference the department proposes to make the following partial report to the International Convention at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, October 9-15, 1950:

"The Department of Social Welfare of The United Christian Missionary Society, having received the resolution entitled, 'Regarding the Inclusion of All Races in Local Church Membership,' and having given preliminary study thereto, makes the following partial report to the Convention:

1. The International Convention at its 1946 General Assembly voted approval of the following resolution on Race Relations:

"WHEREAS, The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, at a special meeting in Columbus, Ohio, March 5-7, 1946, at which this International Convention of Disciples of Christ was represented by its duly elected delegates, unanimously adopted a statement entitled, 'The Church and Race Relations,' explicitly renouncing the pattern of segregation in race relations as a violation of the Gospel of love and brotherhood and calling upon its constituent communions likewise to renounce segregation in membership, worship, service and employment,

"NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That this International Convention of Disciples of Christ approves this action

of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America and that the statement be referred to the churches for sympathetic study and action, recognizing that the difficulties involved are many and that they are rooted in age-long prejudices and in differences in religious, cultural, educational, and economic opportunities which must be regarded as an integral part of the problem. We further urge the churches in the exercise of their freedom in Christ to measure their teaching and practice with respect to persons of other races and colors by the teachings of Jesus in the Gospels and by the precept and example of the New Testament Church, in their study, giving especial attention to the controversy in the church of the first century A.D. over the reception of Gentile converts (Gal. 2:11-14), and to the words of the Apostle Paul (Gal. 3:27-28), 'As many of you as have been baptized into Christ did put on Christ' and 'there can be neither Jew nor Greek, there can be neither bond nor free, there can be no male or female, for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.'''

2. The 1947 Convention adopted a resolution entitled, "Concerning Inter-Racial Fellowship," in which it reaffirmed the action of the 1946 Convention with respect to the statement of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America renouncing the pattern of racial segregation and calling upon its constituent bodies to do likewise, and added this paragraph:

"That while recognizing the historical, institutional and psychological factors which unhappily impede and limit the measures which can now be wisely taken to establish fully these liberties and rights for all and to realize a Christian Fellowship unmarred by racial discrimination and segregation; and while desiring to guard against offense to the conscience of any brother in Christ who is unable to do so, we call upon all Christians and churches to exemplify in their work, worship, and service the full measure of Christian brotherhood."

3. The Convention, at its 1948 session, adopted a resolution entitled, "On Christian Fellowship," which supports previous statements on this subject and urged that the churches study "with diligence and sincerity" the Report of the President's Commission on Civil Rights and "to seek ways and means of achieving the ends of equal justice, freedom and security to which this Report is directed."

4. In the light of the above resolutions, which are supported by other resolutions of the same import adopted by the Convention over a period of years, the department of social welfare makes the following partial report and recommendation on the Cincinnati resolution:

- (1) In the light of the above resolutions there appears to be no reason why this resolution should not be adopted inasmuch as the Convention has repeatedly adopted resolutions of the same intent and substance.
- (2) It is doubtful, however, if the adoption of this or any other resolution will accomplish the end sought by its sponsors. The problem is not to be solved by the adoption of further resolutions, as important

and as necessary as resolutions are as the expression of moral conviction, but in an honest and sincere effort to meet the very real difficulties which the 1946 Convention noted as being rooted in "age-long prejudices and in differences in religious, cultural, educational, and economic backgrounds which must be regarded as integral to the problem." It is on this basis that we propose that the Convention attack the problem.

- (3) Inasmuch as The United Christian Missionary Society on September 23, 1948, authorized the department of social welfare to set up a committee to plan a national conference on human rights, and since the problem dealt with in the Cincinnati resolution is directly related to the purpose for which this authorization was made, we recommend that the reference of the Cincinnati resolution to the Department be continued with the understanding that the Department proposes to set up a program of study and action to include all groups in the Brotherhood, all sections of the country, and all points of view, for the purpose of facing the issues from the standpoint of the teachings of Jesus, the teaching and example of the New Testament Church, the problems and difficulties inherent in the social situation which we face in the United States and in the world, and the impact of American racial policies on world relations. It is further proposed to bring reports from this group to the Convention from time to time over a period of years with a view to developing attitudes in ourselves and in the churches that are acceptable to all as representative of the Christian faith operating in a difficult and highly controversial situation. We believe that some such program as we have here recommended is imperative if the churches are to maintain their integrity of Christian profession and practice.

No. 31

A Proposal to Amend Article VI, "Admission of Cooperating Organizations," of the Constitution of the International Convention of Disciples of Christ

BE IT RESOLVED, That Article VI, "Admission of Cooperating Organizations," of the Constitution of the International Convention of Disciples of Christ be amended to read as follows:

Any general Brotherhood missionary, educational or philanthropic organization may become a cooperating organization by presenting its application for membership to a regular Assembly of the International Convention. Such application will be filed, and acted upon at the next Annual Convention Assembly. During the intervening year the application will be studied by the Board of Directors of the Convention. Interested groups, including the applicant, will be consulted as to the eligibility of the said organization for membership in the Convention. At the next Annual Assembly the application will be presented to the Convention together with the recommendation of the Board of Directors, and the same being favorably reported by the Committee on Recommendations and approved by a two-thirds vote of the Convention, the

said applicant will become a cooperating organization, provided it will agree to insert in its Constitution or By-Laws a provision to submit its reports to the Convention and to hold its books, accounts, and all its records open to the inspection of the Committee on Recommendations or of the Board of Directors of the Convention between annual meetings of the Convention whenever such inspection is desired either by the Convention or by either of these bodies. The Convention will in every way within its power, under its Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws, aid in promoting the work of its cooperating organizations. Cooperation between the Convention and a cooperating organization may be terminated at the expiration of one year after written notice of a desire to terminate such cooperation shall have been given by one or the other.

Signed:

O. W. McCully	Forrest L. Richeson
Harold L. Lunger	A. C. Brooks
Robert W. Burns	Donald F. West
Kelly O'Neill	Wilford H. McLain
Barton A. Johnson	W. Elbert Starn
H. T. Wood	W. J. Jarman
M. E. Sadler	Paul J. Raver
Franklin H. Minck	Wesley P. Ford
Mrs. Lawrence S. Ashley	C. L. Johnson
Lamar Hocker	Mrs. LeVern Freeman
Mrs. James D. Wyker	Lee C. Pierce
Elmer L. Lincoln	W. A. Shullenberger
Ben F. Hagelbarger	Ray E. Snodgrass
	Mrs. Norman R. Stacey

No. 32

Report of the Council of Agencies Authorized by the 1949 Cincinnati Assembly of the International Convention of Disciples of Christ

Resolutions No. 51 and No. 64 were presented to the International Convention Assembly at San Francisco in 1948 as follows:

No. 51—"WHEREAS, Cataclysmic changes are taking place in all parts of the world affecting all areas of life and thereby changing and deepening the responsibility of the church, and

"WHEREAS, The Disciples of Christ have undertaken to meet the new challenges which have arisen by the launching of a Crusade for a Christian World and must, therefore, be vitally concerned with the assumption of broad responsibilities in the period following the Crusade which may present new responsibility and new or renewed emphasis, and

"WHEREAS, The days and years that lie ahead demand a statesmanship which will result in the extension and deepening of the spiritual presentations of our society;

RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED

"BE IT RESOLVED, That the International Convention of Disciples of Christ appoint a commission to survey the total world program of the Brotherhood to make recommendations as to how the church and her agencies may discharge her responsibilities to the fullest and in the most effective manner. Such a survey would undertake to point out the areas of responsibility of the various causes, old and new, and the relative significance of each cause in the total program of the church; and

"WHEREAS, It is important that any new emphasis should be made immediately following the Crusade, and, this may result in some reorganization and reorientation of the causes;

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this commission be prepared to make a report at as early a date as is compatible with the task to which it is assigned."

No. 64—"The Board of Higher Education of the Disciples of Christ at its meeting on Saturday evening, September 25, San Francisco, California, considered the resolution proposed by members of the Committee on Policy of the Board, and recommends as a supplement to the resolution that is now before the Resolutions Committee that the resolution be adopted, and that the Executive Secretary of the International Convention be directed to call together a group of individuals from the interests and causes reporting to the International Convention to outline a plan of procedure for the implementation of the resolution with instructions to the group to report to the International Convention in 1949."

The International Convention took the following action with reference to these resolutions:

"The Committee on Recommendations recommends that the Executive Committee of the International Convention be directed to call together a group of individuals including the interests and causes reporting to the International Convention to outline a plan of procedure for the implementation of the resolution regarding survey of the total world program of the Disciples of Christ with instructions to the group to report to the International Convention in 1949.

"Action—VOTED to approve the recommendation."

A Committee of Thirty-three, representative of the causes and interests of the Brotherhood was appointed by the Executive Committee of the Convention. This Committee reported to the International Convention in 1949. The report was in the form of a recommendation to the Cincinnati Convention requesting the Executive Secretary of the International Convention "to convene a council of representatives of agencies reporting to, or affiliated with agencies reporting to, the International Convention, and the officers of the International Convention serving in 1950." The purposes of the Council were to present and correlate the long-range programs of the agencies, and to consider problems of integration, overlapping and emphases.

RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED

The first meeting of the Council was convened in Indianapolis in February, 1950; at which time preliminary reports of long-range programs were presented. It was discovered at this meeting that it would require more time and study for evaluation and correlation of the reports than would be available at that meeting. It was also agreed that the form of the reports should be revised so that they would be more readily comparable.

After a thorough discussion of the principles and procedures in connection with the launching of the long-range program it was decided that another meeting of the Council be held in the summer of 1950 at which time principles and procedures could be presented and discussed in greater detail.

The second meeting of the Council was convened at Hiram, Ohio, June 27 to July 1, 1950. The Council had before it long-range reports from 35 state societies, 24 educational institutions, 12 national agencies. It was unfortunate that 3 state societies, 5 educational institutions and 2 national agencies have failed to submit reports to date. At this meeting all long-range programs presented by agencies were studied by committees. It was significant that members of the Council were appointed to committees without reference to their causal interest. Principles of procedure for correlation, integration, study of overlapping and tensions were discussed and processes were set up for continued study. The Council agreed to meet again in 1951 for further and more comprehensive study of the problems arising out of a long-range program.

A Findings Committee was appointed to meet in the interim between the meetings of the Council, for the purpose of planning the presentation of a report to the Convention and to carry on ad interim study. It was the consensus of the Council that the long-range and post-Crusade program is of such a character as to preclude the advisability or possibility of presenting the program to the Oklahoma City Convention in terms of specific goals. It was agreed rather that the long-range program of the Disciples of Christ should be presented in terms of world needs, and of plans of the agencies to meet those needs in the light of trends and available resources.

The Council also created a Committee on Strategy which was charged with responsibility for the study of principles which should govern the development of new work, together with emphases of work currently carried on. The Committee also was directed to consider in an advisory capacity points of tension, overlapping and priorities of the total program.

It is regarded as significant that this is the first time in the history of the Disciples of Christ that all agencies related directly or indirectly to the International Convention have been called together for the purpose of mutual planning, of coordination and integration of their total programs. This may prove to be the most significant thing that has occurred in Brotherhood life, and may be an earnest of setting the procedures for a new century of cooperation.

It should be borne in mind that the proportions of such an effort are so tremendous that it is not to be expected that the hopes of those who proposed the study can be realized immediately. On the other hand it is significant that this movement represents a comparatively new strategy among the agencies. It is indicative of a process which holds the prom-

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ise of achieving tremendous gain for the work of every agency and thereby for the Disciples of Christ and the Church Universal. It represents a statesmanship which is needed in these times as never before.

There was a conviction at the Hiram meeting that great progress had been made; and that the meeting itself indicated new procedures of cooperation to achieve new and great ends. There was agreement that while the steps so far taken might not have achieved all the things which the resolutions of the International Convention of 1948 and 1949 implied, nevertheless the achievements thus far are significant and are in harmony with the general purposes of the resolutions.

In the light of the discussions and decisions of the Council of Agencies,

WE RECOMMEND: That the Disciples of Christ pledge their support to a program in the decade, beginning July 1, 1951, which shall be commensurate with the need and with the resources available; to the end, that the gains of the Crusade may be conserved and the possibilities revealed may be realized through the regular and continuing program.

WE FURTHER RECOMMEND: That the proposal of the Council of Agencies as stated in the following resolution be approved by the International Convention:

“WE RECOMMEND, That an assembly similar to the Council of Agencies be held in 1951; the name, function, structure, etc., of which assembly to be studied by a representative committee appointed here to report in approximately one year from now (June, 1950) at the organizational meeting of the next Assembly. We think it important that the Assembly retain much of the present relationship to the International Convention.”

The Findings Committee of the Council
of Agencies of Disciples of Christ
Harlie L. Smith, Chairman

No. 33

Observance of Christian Literature Week

WHEREAS, The observance of Christian Literature Week was endorsed by the International Convention in 1944, and made a part of the Annual Calendar of our churches, and

WHEREAS, In response to the suggestion, thousands of our churches have enthusiastically observed the week and so cooperated in emphasizing the vast importance of Christian literature in the life of the church for the enrichment of religious experience and the multiplying of power of the teacher, the minister and the missionary leader;

BE IT RESOLVED, That the International Convention, in view of the success attending the observance of Christian Literature Week over the past six years, reaffirm its endorsement of the week and urge all our

churches to observe it to the end that our brotherhood may become fully aware of the important part which Christian literature holds in the cultivation of an intelligent discipleship.

Committee on the Promotion of
Christian Literature
O. T. Mattox, Chairman
George E. Kiefer, Secretary

No. 34

Revised Standard Version Bible Observance in 1952

WHEREAS, The Revised Standard Version of the Bible authorized by the International Council of Religious Education in 1937 and prepared by the able revision committee under the chairmanship of Dean Luther Allen Weigle, will be completed and first published copies released in September, 1952; and

WHEREAS, The International Council of Religious Education is making plans for an observance during the week of September 28 to October 5, 1952, by Protestant forces throughout the United States and Canada, including recognition in church services and community celebration under interdenominational auspices; and

WHEREAS, The Disciples of Christ have been historically a Bible-loving, a Bible-reading, and a Bible-studying people.

BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That our churches be urged during Church Program Week, September 28 to October 5, 1952, to recognize and celebrate the completion of the Revised Standard Version of the Bible, and
2. That our churches be further urged to participate in the interdenominational observances of this event, and
3. That special emphasis be given to Bible reading and Bible study in all phases of church life during the year 1952-53.

Department of Religious Education
The United Christian Missionary Society
George Oliver Taylor, Executive Secretary

No. 35

Resolution on Christian Marriage

WHEREAS, Mutual religious convictions, a common philosophy of life, and a similarity of cultural backgrounds are factors which contribute to a happy marriage; and

WHEREAS, Mutual respect for and sincere tolerance of differences on the part of both persons entering the union are indispensable, so that marriage can be a union of equals; and

WHEREAS, Some religious bodies (notably the Roman Catholic church) officially forbid their adherents to enter marriage with non-

adherents on the basis of tolerance and equality except on the condition that non-adherents subscribe to certain agreements, particularly that the children of such a union be trained in the faith of the adherent; and

WHEREAS, Failure to understand and adequately to appreciate the implications of such agreements, before mutual attachment makes objective evaluation impossible, frequently leads later to disillusionment, family conflict and heartbreak,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That this International Convention of Disciples of Christ urge parents, ministers and leaders of young people to provide in the home, in the church and through the normal channels of the teaching program instruction that will help youth, before or as they arrive at the age of forming intimate friendships between the sexes, to understand and appreciate the divergent interpretations relative to marriage held by different religious bodies; and further,

BE IT RESOLVED: That we request our young people to seek an understanding of the principles which underlie their Christian faith, to give prayerful consideration when faced with a situation where their wedding vows would entail agreements disparaging their basic Christian beliefs; and further,

BE IT RESOLVED: That we urge our young people to stand on their rights as self-respecting Christians, and that in no event they enter into a marriage contract which places them in a position of disadvantage in their family relationship and in the training of their children.

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George Oliver Taylor, Executive Secretary

No. 36

A Resolution Reaffirming Convictions of Disciples of Christ About Christian Unity and Implementation Thereof

WHEREAS, This year, 1950, marks the fortieth anniversary of the Association for the Promotion of Christian Unity, which was established "for intercessory prayer, friendly conferences and distribution of irenic literature, 'till we all attain unto the unity of the faith,'" and is the 141st anniversary of the *Declaration and Address* which proclaimed that the church of Christ on earth is "essentially, intentionally and constitutionally one,"

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By this International Convention of Disciples of Christ meeting in Oklahoma City:

1. That we reaffirm the primacy of our witness for the unity of the church of Christ and the urgency of that unity for saving the world, and that we commit ourselves afresh to all worthy efforts to bring nearer the answer to our Lord's prayer;

2. That we encourage, and wherever possible participate in, movements among the various communions for closer cooperation and union

as steps toward the desired unity, and that to such end we eagerly engage in the Conference on Church Union inaugurated in Greenwich, Connecticut, in December, 1949;

3. That we rejoice in the merger being consummated in the National Council of Churches of Christ and urge our congregations generously to support it as well as their local and state councils and the World Council of Churches; and,

4. That we commend the Association for the Promotion of Christian Unity for its service of the past season in implementing many of our Brotherhood's responsibilities in various Christian unity movements, and that we authorize it so to continue, and also to initiate its long-range program including such aggressive activities as the support of the Peter Ainslie Memorial Lectureship (at Rhodes University in South Africa), rotating lectureships, encouragement of seminary students to write sermons on Christian unity, providing regional resource leaders on Christian unity available for local conferences, and similar projects, as significant opportunities to further our responsibilities for the unity of the church of Christ on earth.

The Association for the
Promotion of Christian Unity
G. Edwin Osborn, President

No. 37

Resolutions Regarding Comity Cooperation

WHEREAS, Under the Providence of God, Christians of this generation have been led by the Holy Spirit to perceive more clearly their togetherness and essential unity in Jesus Christ their Divine Lord and Savior, and

WHEREAS, The desperate needs of the modern world call for a new effort to order the churches' forces in the most effective way for the reinforcing of the membership of local congregations of each of the churches in a given community by the strength of all,

WHEREAS, Disciples of Christ, by their participation in the ecumenical movement within Christendom at each of its geographical levels—local, state, federal and world, have thereby manifested their desire for the closest fellowship with other evangelical churches and expressed their disapproval of sectarianism and divisive competition, and

WHEREAS, Despite the avowed intention of Disciples of Christ to progressively correct their involvement in the perpetuation of the divisive character of Protestantism's community witness (urban and rural) resulting in inexcusable waste of time, energy and money on the one hand the culpable neglect of needy sections and needy groups for fuller access to the gospel on the other, and

WHEREAS, The need for adjusting local interchurch relations exists between both self-supporting and mission-aided churches, as well as strategic interdenominational planning in the occupancy of new fields, and

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WHEREAS, The principles of comity and cooperation, which have been nationally formulated and implemented through state, city and local councils of churches, do not have behind them the fullest acceptance and administrative reinforcement which the total administrations and broad resources of each communion should provide, and

WHEREAS, The earnest desire manifesting itself among Christians everywhere for the unity of Christ's church in the spirit in which Christ himself prayed places a mandate upon all communions to remove the reproach of competition and unchristian rivalry, now;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the International Convention of Disciples of Christ declares its approval of the principle that the boards, agencies and local congregations of the Disciples of Christ should not support or participate in enterprises which injuriously compete with other evangelical communions constituent to the agencies appointing the Joint Commission on Planning and Adjustment of Local Interchurch Relations (i.e., communions cooperating in the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, the Home Missions Council of North America and the International Council of Religious Education).

2. That the administrative officers and executives of the various agencies of the Disciples of Christ should and are hereby urged to unite with the officers and administrative leaders of sister communions to participate through appropriate interchurch council channels in the development of cooperative field research enterprises, in urban and rural centers. The purpose will be to determine a comprehensive Protestant church extension, placement and adjustment program that will correct the reproach of current congregational competition and rivalry on the one hand; and will outline a plan for cooperative Protestant re-occupancy of strategic areas of Kingdom need on the other.

3. That Disciples of Christ encourage self-sustaining churches to participate in local church adjustment plans and reaffirm their determination, through the "Master List" plan of the Home Missions Council and in other ways to refuse to give mission aid for enterprises which compete with other evangelical communions constituent to our national bodies.

4. Where comity agreements exist, churches should be urged, by agencies providing financial aid for building projects, to secure comity clearance from the local comity committee.

5. That those types of Christian service that are relatively temporary in character, or that represent emergency ministries in situations that are of general concern, should be developed under cooperative planning, through assignment to a specific denomination or through interdenominational agencies, as may best serve the local situation. Disciples of Christ hereby record their readiness to cooperate through appropriate administrative channels with other evangelical communions in the development and the financing of such a program.

6. That Disciples of Christ hereby make known their purpose to participate in the work of the Commission on Planning and Adjustment

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of Local Interchurch Relations constituted by the Federal Council, the Home Missions Council, and the International Council of Religious Education, in adjusting interchurch relations and to that end records their support of effort to extend and strengthen the work of state, city, and local councils of churches.

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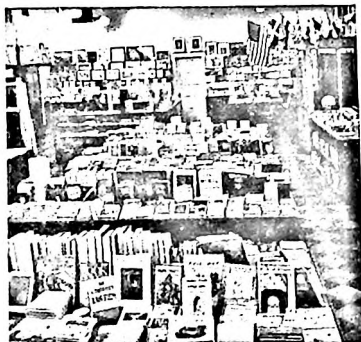
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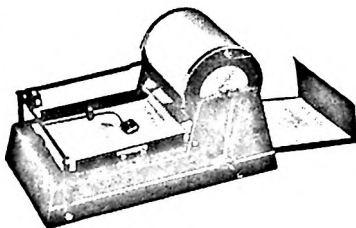
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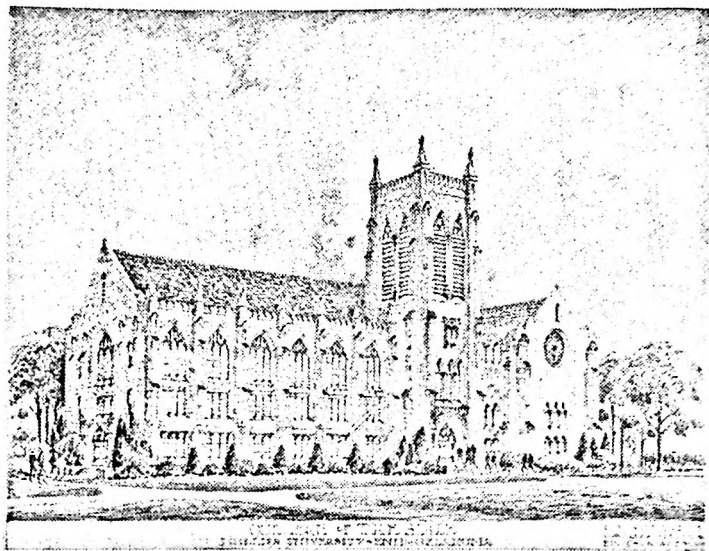
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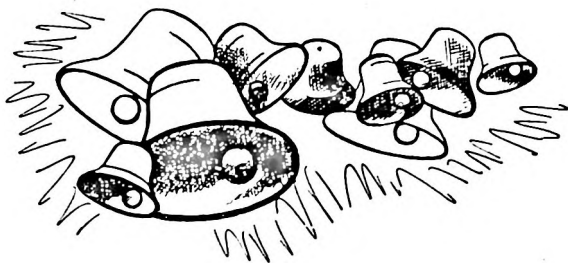
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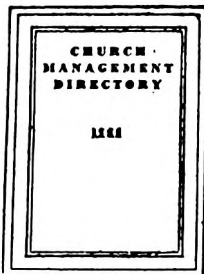
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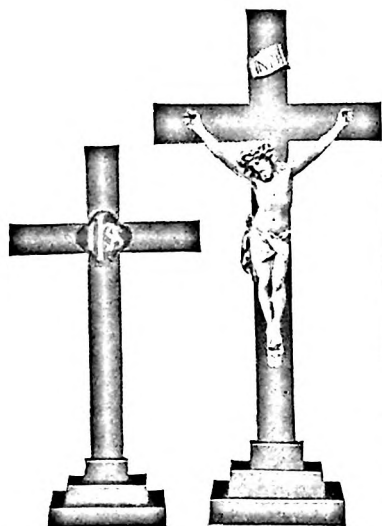
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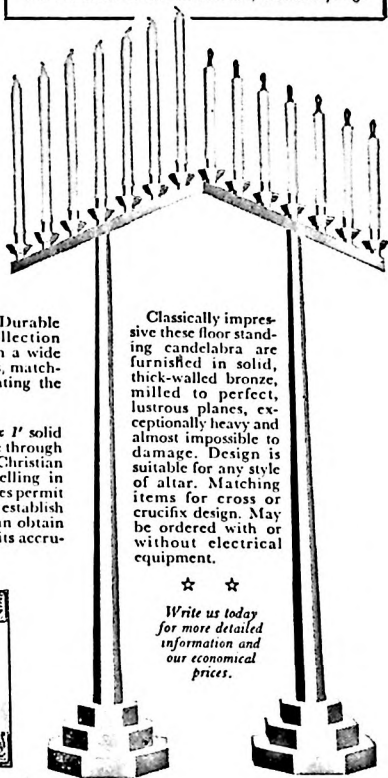
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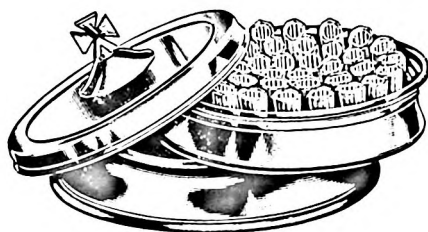
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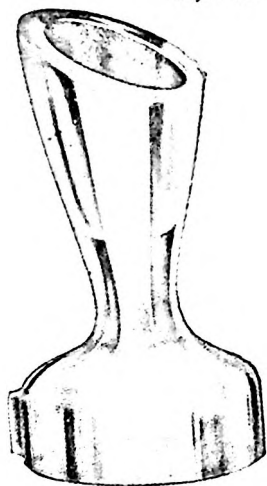


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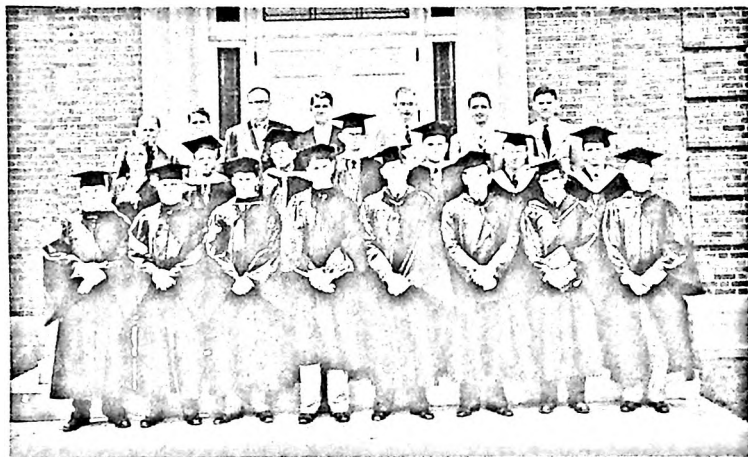
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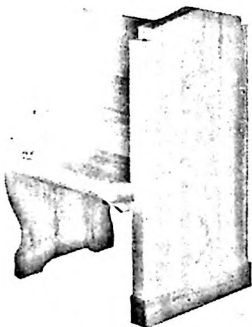
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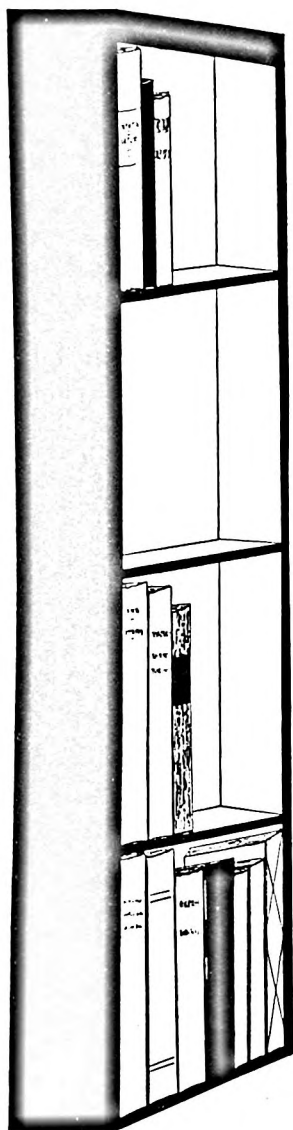
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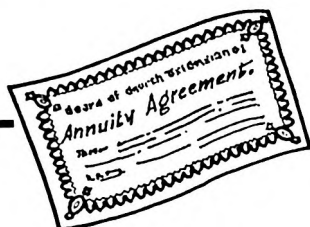
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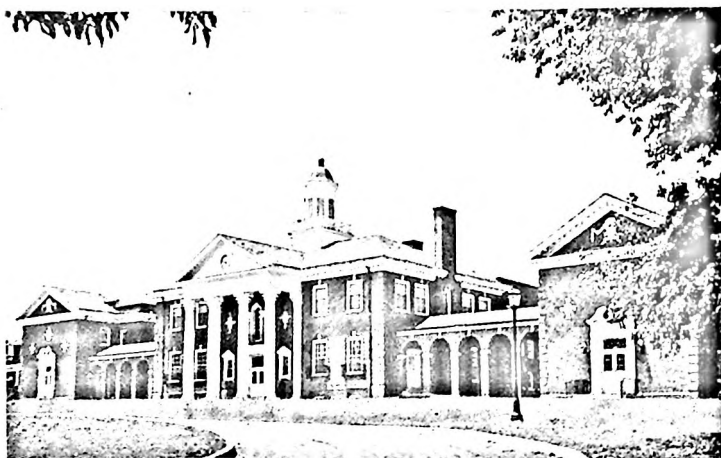
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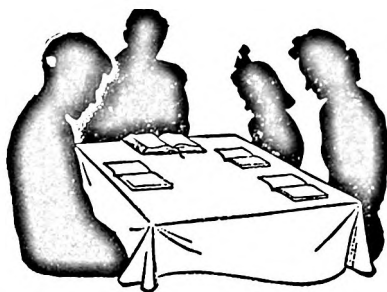


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